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The French philosopher Voltaire said, “What is tolerance? It is the consequence of humanity. We are all formed of frailty and error; let us pardon reciprocally each other’s folly-that is the first law of nature.” To all of my fellow members of APPNA, we are aware that we find ourselves at a critical juncture threatening the well-being of our community. Although we stand together as a cohesive and united voice for the Pakistani Diaspora, present conditions and consensus conspire to mitigate the respect and contributions we have all worked so tirelessly to achieve. We find ourselves facing increasing and unjustified bias and as community leaders it is our mandate to search for and express a constructive, humane, and unified response to the negative rhetoric and actions hurled in our direction. It is time to show those around us what it means to receive respect as well as give it. It is time to show the word that ignorance goes nowhere. It is time to show those around us that we are all one community and we must work together to foster understanding and celebrate diversity, while acknowledging and respecting our different points of view.