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RALIANACE Statement on Celebrating Black History Month

RALIANACE is proud to celebrate Black History Month and honor the important role Black Americans have played in shaping our communities through their tremendous contributions to every corner of American life. Whether in their local communities, the board room, or the halls of government, Black Americans have a long history as trailblazers in our society, shattering glass ceilings, speaking truth to power, and effecting change.

As an organization committed to creating safer and more equitable organizations and communities free of sexual violence, RALIANACE believes that diversity and inclusion must be at the forefront of our workplaces and everyday lives. Recent history suggests that we are one step closer to that mission, with young Black leaders stepping forward to make their voices heard, whether UCLA gymnast Nia Dennis reaching new horizons on the gymnastics floor, Dr. Marcella Nunez-Smith solving our nation's greatest challenges as a Chair of the White House COVID-19 Equity Task Force, or Inaugural Poet Amanda Gorman.

In Gorman's words, "For there is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it, if only we're brave enough to be it."

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RALIANACE is a national partnership dedicated to ending sexual violence in one generation. Every day, RALIANACE makes prevention possible by advancing research, influencing policy, supporting innovative programs and helping leaders establish safe workplaces and strong communities. For more information, please visit www.RALIANACE.org.