

Harvard University Black Faculty Letter Supporting President Claudine Gay

We Black members of the Harvard university faculty wish to voice our enthusiastic support for the presidency of Claudine Gay and respond strongly to recent aspersions that have been cast on her character and qualifications to be president of Harvard University. The suggestion that she would not stand boldly against manifestations of antisemitism and any suggestion that her selection as president was the result of a process that elevated an unqualified person based on considerations of race and gender are specious and politically motivated. We applaud President Gay's efforts on behalf of Harvard and all of higher education and we call on all members of the Corporation to defend her in this trying moment. President Gay was a superb selection as president and should be given the chance to fulfill her term to demonstrate her vision for Harvard.

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