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VIGILS FOR PEACE, UNITY AND REMEMBRANCE

MODESTO, CA – September 14, 2001 – The Yosemite Community College District will hold memorial vigils at both its campuses on September 18, a week following one of the worst tragedies in American history. Modesto Junior College will hold an afternoon vigil at 1:10 pm and an evening candlelight vigil at 8:00 pm at the East Campus, near the Library. Columbia College will also be conducting a time of observance at 1:00 pm at Carkeet Park.

The entire community is invited to attend and join students, faculty, and staff in respecting the memory of the people who died in the incidents and to not lose sight of the importance of ensuring that “our learning and work environment and climate are characterized by inclusiveness, tolerance and respect for all of our students, staff and community,” as affirmed in the District’s Beyond Tolerance Initiative.

Everyone is encouraged to bring a candle or flashlight from home, for the evening vigil. For additional information, contact Venesse Metcalf, YCCD Director of Staff Diversity at (209)575-6900.

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