Dear Commissioners,

Thank you again, for signing the anti-racism Resolution last fall and for participating in antiracism training. Also thanks goes to Commissioner Robbins for creating an anti-racism policy document which presumably will be handed out soon to all new Leelanau County government hires.

But questions have begun to emerge as to why the Board has not done anything else in the way of direct action in accordance with the Resolution for an entire year? Why the delay? Little progress for a year signals a loss of Board support for your initial resolve to take action.

Racial discrimination has been ongoing and tolerated in Leelanau for years. Simple denials may suffice for non-elected officials but not for you. As County Commissioners, you have a legal obligation to protect residents' health and safety and guarantee that no obstacles exist in the County's policies which, intended or not, impede the rights of any individual.

Please get on with the task of implementing your anti-racism Resolution. I have faith in your integrity and thus that you will find a path forward.

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