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WE ARE MANY – United Against Hate were shocked to learn about the racist sign placed at the entrance to a coffee shop in the western Wisconsin village of Pepin. The message of "Go Back Mexican", aimed at the owner of the coffee shop, represents the kind of hate that demands a response.

We are grateful that the community leaders in Pepin have adopted a "welcoming community" resolution in response to this act and as a statewide organization, we join with them. An attack on one is an attack on all. Hate has no place in our state. This despicable action does not reflect the attitudes of the good people of Wisconsin and the united response of the people of Pepin reinforces that we are all neighbors, whatever the country of our birth.

We are Many – United Against Hate is an organization of common people who are urban and rural, spiritual and secular, seeking equal protection for all, united against hate, bigotry and racism. We have joined together to replace acts of hatred with acts of love. Anyone who would like to join in that movement can go to www.united-against-hate.org/join.