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### STATEMENT ON INCIDENT AT BOB CARPENTER CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

Newark, DE NAACP Formal Statement of Support

(NEWARK,DE) We the Newark, DE NAACP Branch stand in full support of the graduating Newark High School students involved in the incident that occurred on June 15th at the Bob Carpenter Center at the University of Delaware. We are deeply concerned and disturbed by the information reported and video posted by the Newark Post\*\*.

On a day that should have been about celebration and new beginnings, these young men were subjected to a situation that no graduating high school student should have to experience at the hands of University of Delaware officers who are sworn with protecting and serving these young men.

As of the release of this statement there has been no direct response from the University of Delaware in response to this incident. We expect full transparency from the University of Delaware Police Department. We expect more information to be provided to the victims, the family, and the public to address this issue. We demand prompt action and a proper response from the University of Delaware.

## \*\* NEWARK POST ARTICLE LINK

# **About the NAACP**

## **OUR VISION**

We envision an inclusive community rooted in liberation where all persons can exercise their civil and human rights without discrimination.

### **OUR MISSION**

Our mission is to achieve equity, political rights, and social inclusion by advancing policies and practices that expand human and civil rights, eliminate discrimination, and accelerate the well-being, education, and economic security of Black people and all persons of color