



Resolution in Support of Justice for Jaahnavi Kandula Petition



(1999-2023)

Whereas, on Jan. 23, 2023, Jaahnavi Kandula (a graduate student from India at Northeastern University's Seattle campus) was crossing the street at a crosswalk when she was brutally struck by officer Kevin Dave in a police cruiser going 74 miles per hour. Kandula's body was thrown 138 feet, adding her to a list of victims of senseless violence by police officers in the United States.

Whereas, on September 11, 2023, the Police Department released body camera footage of Seattle Police Department officer Daniel Auderer—the vice president of the Seattle Police Officers Guild— laughing making jokes about the situation shortly after evaluating officer Dave for potential impairment during the fatal collision. Auderer was on a phone call with police union president Mike Solan, and he said that Kandula had "limited value" so the city should "just write a check for \$11,000".

<http://tiny.cc/Kandula>

Whereas, Jaahnavi is a beloved daughter and beyond any dollar value for her mother and family. She came, like thousands of international students, to the United States in hopes that she would have a better future and better life abroad. Jaahnavi would have graduated in December 2023.

Whereas, this injustice is not new; it has been happening for far too long. Families who have lost loved ones to police violence have been denied justice, and harmful cops have evaded accountability.

Whereas, we believe that no one should be above the law or immune to consequences when they fail to uphold their duty to protect and serve our community.

THEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED** that the California Faculty Association (CFA), on behalf of its members take action, as an organization, by signing the petition on [Change.org](https://change.org),

The aim of this petition is to demand accountability and just action from the Seattle Police Department and the Office of Police Accountability for all our communities. Together, let's call out this callous disregard for human life!

<https://tinyurl.com/Jaahnavi-Kandula>



And be it also **RESOLVED** that CFA encourages its members, as individuals, to sign onto the petition above as well.

Adopted by the CFA Assembly
as presented by the Asian Pacific Islander Caucus.
Endorsed by the Council for Racial and Social Justice
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