DAPS Leadership - URGE Pod Agreement

Between: Members of the Dept. of Astronomy and Planetary Science (DAPS) Leadership

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We are committed to URGE's primary objectives:

- 1. Deepen the community's knowledge of the effects of racism on the participation and retention of black, brown, and indigenous people in Geoscience¹ and related fields.
- 2. Use the existing literature, expert opinions, and personal experiences to develop anti-racist policies and strategies^{2,3}
- 3. Share, discuss, and modify anti-racist policies and strategies within a dynamic community network and on a national stage.

We are committed to our pod's objectives:

- 1. Discuss and assess the racial justice, equity, and inclusivity of our department.
- 2. Develop an anti-racism Action Plan with actions specific to issues in the DAPS, including methods for measuring and reporting progress.

We are committed to pursuing these objectives individually, as a pod, and as a department. The 6 signatories (and pod members, as available) will discuss URGE actions at two meetings:

Meeting 1: Introduction to URGE and Pod Goals for the term (March, date TBD)

Meeting 2: Follow-up Discussion and DAPS Action Plan Proposal (May, date TBD)

¹R. E. Bernard, E. H. G. Cooperdock, No progress on diversity in 40 years. Nature Publishing Group. 11, 1–5 (2018).

²https://notimeforsilence.org/

³https://www.change.org/p/geoscientists-call-for-a-robust-anti-racisim-plan-for-the-geosciences