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## **CALL TO ACTION**

### **It Only Takes Two Minutes to Stand Up Against Hateful Rhetoric In Media**

For years certain groups have been dehumanized and misrepresented on mainstream media. Now YOU can do something about it!

In January of 2009, the National Hispanic Media Coalition (NHMC) filed a petition for inquiry at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), asking the agency to examine the link between hate speech and hate crimes, and to allow people across the country to voice their concerns in a public docket. For over a year now, the FCC has failed to answer those requests. In the mean time, countless people have suffered violent, and sometimes deadly, hate crimes. Hate crimes against the Latino community have risen over 40% in just the past few years. And we know that hate speech not only inspires violence, but that it also has a profound effect on the psychological well-being of our children.

Please take two minutes to urge the FCC to open a docket to examine hate speech in media by going to [www.nhmc.org/calltoaction](http://www.nhmc.org/calltoaction).

Help us spread the word by sharing this message on your Facebook, Twitter and other social media sites. See below and click on the Share Link.

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The National Hispanic Media Coalition is a non-profit, media advocacy organization established in 1986 in Los Angeles, California. Our mission is to improve the image of American Latinos as portrayed by the media, increase the number of American Latinos employed in all facets of the media industry, and advocate for media and telecommunications policies that benefit the Latino community.