



## University of Illinois Chicago Undergraduate Student Government

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Dear UIC Community,

We, the Undergraduate Student Government, are devastated by the tragedy at Michigan State University in which 3 students lost their lives and 5 were injured. We offer our prayers to the lost souls, comfort for those closely victimized, and our full support for the MSU community in this time of grief and healing.

We understand that this tragedy may raise concern and fear for our own campus. We want to assure our fellow students that USG is committed to advocating for a protected and safe learning environment here at UIC. We encourage students to understand the resources available to them. For help and support, please visit the Counseling Center (<https://counseling.uic.edu/>), and for resources on campus and individual safety, please visit the UICPD website (<https://police.uic.edu/resources/>). Additional resources can be found in the attached resource guide.

If campus safety is to be addressed, proactive gun control practices, community reinvestments, and more mental health resources must be included in the conversation. Our legislators must act on ensuring our communities are safe and that those in need receive the support and resources needed. Additionally, safety on the community level requires participation on the individual level. We must remain vigilant of our surroundings; use our voice to advocate for a safer future; and be a source of strength and comfort for our fellow Flames.

Sincerely,  
The Undergraduate Student Government