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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****YORK COUNTY CHIEFS OF POLICE AND CLERGY STAND TOGETHER FOR JUSTICE**

We offer our deepest sympathies, condolences, and prayers to the family and friends of Mr. George Floyd.

The York County Association of Chiefs of Police and local clergy, including the Black Ministers Association of York County, stand united in our outrage and condemnation of the reprehensible use of deadly force by police officers in Minneapolis, MN that led to the senseless and tragic death of Mr. George Floyd. There can be no allowance in law enforcement for officers who commit such heinous acts, or for officers who fail to intervene and stop the commission of these acts. We hold faith that the criminal actions of the officers will be charged appropriately as a result of a thorough investigation.

The policing of our community is a high and noble calling that requires our community's police officers to possess the highest integrity and fairness. The York County Association of Chiefs of Police continues to uphold our commitment that law enforcement officers treat all individuals, whether they are a complainant, suspect, or defendant, with the full dignity and respect they deserve as human beings. It is our commitment to hold our own law enforcement officers to the highest standards of accountability when they fail to abide by these standards. We hold these principles as the bedrock upon which procedural justice and police legitimacy stand.

As Chiefs of Police and Clergy, we stand united in the pursuit of a thriving and just York County.

**About Our Partnership**

It was our joint concern over unrest in our nation surrounding the fair policing of our communities, that led us to begin meeting together in 2016. Since 2016, our vision has been that York develops a reputation as *One York: a peaceful and thriving community* whereas:

- Mutual respect, trust, transparency, and cooperation exist between law enforcement and community
- Our community is policed with fairness and justice resulting in safety and peace

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Signed in unity together,

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President, Black Ministers Association

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Bishop Carl Scott  
Pastor, Bible Tabernacle Church

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York City Police

Rev. Paul Atkinson  
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West York Borough Police

Pastor Ramona Kinard  
Pastor, Wheatfield Church of the Living God

Chief David Lash  
Northern York Regional Police

Rev. Bob Riedy  
Pastor, Church of the Open Door

Chief Michael Muldrow  
York City School District Police

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Iglesia Cristiana de York E.C. / The Next Step E.C.

Chief Thomas Wargo  
Carroll Township Police

Rev. Ben Murray  
Pastor, Noble City Church

Chief Guy Hettinger  
Penn Township Police

Brian Rice, Brian Newman, Donovan Bratton  
Pastors, Living Word Community Church

Chief Jason Loper  
Fairview Township Police

Rev. Eric Hillegas  
Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church

Chief David Arnold  
Lower Windsor Township Police

Bishop Danny Evans  
Temple of Grace Ministries

Chief Steven Lutz  
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Pastor, New Covenant Community Church

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Hanover Borough Police  
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