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RE: Interfaith Leaders Outraged at the Racist Murder of George Floyd

Dear Minneapolis Police Union,

We, the members of the Kingston Interfaith Council find the disgusting act of white violence exerted by the Minneapolis police force a matter of grave concern. We are writing to demand accountability for the racist murder of George Floyd.

"I can't breathe." These words are all too familiar, the last gasps of men of color, such as Eric Gardner and now George Floyd, begging for their life under the physical and psychological weight of white supremacy, racism, and the excessive, life-killing force of police. For 7 minutes bystanders called upon the officers to let up. They would not.

This happened on your watch. This is your responsibility.

We demand that you press charges for all officers involved in the incident, including David Chauvin. George Floyd should be alive today and **all cops involved must be held accountable for his murder**, in order to get justice for George's family and prevent this brutality and violence from happening in the future.

In addition to full accountability, **we demand that the entire Minneapolis Police Union take part in mandatory Anti-Bias and Un-doing Racism trainings** so that they can come to recognize their complicity in a system that overtly and covertly perpetuates white supremacy, and actively work to un-do it.

The death of George Floyd has sparked national outcry around the world. This is not the first time this has happened, but if we have anything to do with it, it will be the last.

Sincerely,

The Kingston Interfaith Council

The Kingston Interfaith Council (KIC) is a gathering of religious and spiritual leaders who provide a collective moral response to the concerns of our community in the Kingston, NY area. We join together in actions that promote interreligious understanding, social justice, and community.