



## **Saint Joseph Prep Statement on George Floyd**

June 3, 2020

On behalf of the Administration, Faculty, and Staff at Saint Joseph Prep, and in solidarity with our sponsors, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston, we join with all those who are outraged and shaken at the senseless killing and tragic death of George Floyd. As a community, we condemn racism in all of its forms and pray for reconciliation and peace. It is important that we heed the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr: “Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.”

In the words of George Floyd’s brother: “My family is a peaceful family. My family is a God-fearing family. Let’s do this another way. Educate yourself.” Together, let us educate ourselves on the work that must be done to dismantle racism. As the Sisters of St. Joseph teach us, “We work for unity and reconciliation where there is brokenness, helping people become whole and holy, individually and together”.

At our School, diversity is one of our greatest blessings, and we will always be united by our differences, not divided. As a true community of faith, we are called to stand together in the struggle for justice, manifesting hope by seeking to improve the quality of human life. Strengthened by our faith and our bonds with one another, we will create opportunities in the days ahead to facilitate discussions related to social justice, racial inequality, and the Gospel mandate to love one another without distinction.

Let us continue to pray for the family of George Floyd. May we all strive to create a world where we embrace one another as brothers and sisters.

Sincerely,

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*Co-Heads of School*