

Muslims for Progressive Values' Statement on the Death of George Floyd

LOS ANGELES - May 28, 2020 - <u>PRLog</u> -- Muslims for Progressive Values (MPV) and members of its community are appalled at yet another killing of an unarmed Black man in the hands of the police. Almost six years after Eric Garner cried out, "I can't breathe," another unarmed Black man spoke the same words as he was publicly murdered by police officers in Minneapolis. George Floyd should be alive today; there is no justification for such vicious and lethal use of force. We all deserve to thrive in safe communities, yet the inhumane, chronic assaults on Black people in the United States directly threaten our ability to maintain a healthy society.

Muslims for Progressive Values joins countless voices across the nation in demanding justice for George Floyd. We call for an immediate and comprehensive investigation into the circumstances of George Floyd's death and accountability for those who took his life. We pray for George Floyd's family, his community, the Twin Cities, and our country as we face yet again the horrifyingly real consequences of anti-Black racism, police brutality, and white supremacy. We affirm with profound conviction that "Black Lives Matter" is a statement that reflects the utter foundation of our faith. We devote ourselves to seeking *adl* (justice) and ending violence in our nation. This is our calling as Americans and as Muslims.

"All mankind is from Adam and Eve. An Arab has no superiority over a non-Arab, nor a non-Arab has any superiority over an Arab; also a white has no superiority over a black, nor a black has any superiority over white except by piety and good action" a quote from Prophet Muhammad's? Last Sermon

MPV will continue to stand for human rights and dignity for all, loudly advocate for these civil and human rights, and demand that our political representatives commit themselves to the values of service, equity, and justice.

Our hearts go out to the loved ones of George Floyd. May his soul rest in power, and may those who knew him achieve peace through justice.

Find out more about MPV's work at https://www.mpvusa.org/

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