

## City Heights Law Day Condemns Racism and Police Violence

City Heights Law Day is dedicated to the ideals of equality and justice under the law. We condemn racism, and the police violence suffered by George Floyd and too many men and women at the hands of officers sworn to protect and afford due process. We cannot and will not be silent in the face of these inequities.

Change is overdue. We understand the urgency. American society must change laws and traditions that have permitted us to get to this point. We must demand accountability from those we put in power who violate the law. From the murder of African-Americans at disproportionate rates, to the detainment of refugees in inhumane conditions at our border, capricious violations of countless American's freedoms and rights, and the assault on the press, we must do better.

We are committed to positive change and providing space to listen, heal, and work together to amend or abolish laws that are unjust and hurt us. We will continue to cultivate respect for the law that is so vital to our democratic way of life.

In Unity,

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City Heights Law Day was established by the Friends of the City Heights Library in 2015. We connect the People of City Heights with volunteer attorneys, elected representatives, and community organizations, and provides a forum for people to learn more about the law, principles of government, and responsibilities of citizenship.