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Mission Statement
The YMCA of Central
Massachusetts is an
association united in a
common goal to strengthen
our communities and to
develop the spirit, mind
and body of all persons,
regardless of means,
through activities guided
by and based upon our
core values of caring,
honesty, respect and
responsibility.

May 31, 2020

Dear YMCA of Central Massachusetts Community,

Words seem so inadequate to express the sorrow and grief we are all feeling regarding the death of George Floyd. On behalf of the entire YMCA of Central Massachusetts, our thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Floyd's family, friends, co-workers and community. Our Y team's hearts are broken and our sadness is deep as we stand with all in our local community who are devastated, disappointed, disgusted and distressed by a tragedy that was avoidable. Every day we work with you to strengthen our community, so **all** can thrive. Unfortunately, tragedies like this can make us feel helpless and hopeless. The pain and suffering of young and old alike who live in neighborhoods similar to where this heartbreak happened touches all of us.

Your YMCA is committed to continue to work even harder with you and in our communities to erase racism, inequities and disparities that exist. Human dignity and empathy are paramount – always. Here are some of the ways the YMCA is increasing its efforts to serve our community:

1. Leverage our inclusion work with our YMCA staff serving youth and families so more people in our community can get the support they need to manage trauma constructively and peacefully as well as deal with the effects of the coronavirus crisis on their health and wellbeing.
2. Collaborate more with our local and national community partners to combat inequities locally, nationally and globally.

We invite you to join us in our efforts. The Y's values of caring, honesty, responsibility and respect will continue to guide us as we navigate challenges our community faces. The Y is here for you and we firmly believe that together we are stronger.

For A Better Us,

David Connell
President and CEO