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My Brethren,

Over the course of many years and especially in the last few months, we have again seenthe continuation of more racial and social injustice not only on the streets but also in the workplace. Most recently with the murder of Ahmaud Arbery, the senseless killing of Breonna Taylor, George Floyd and many others has taken our nation and other countries to a new level. The death of these African Americans and countless other African American men and women has brought people of all races to a breaking point, which is evident by the number of Direct Action Protestsin several states across the country and abroad.

We all know we truly have the freedom of speech, the right to lawful assembly and protest. Knowing and understanding the anger and frustration that African Americans feel today and have felt for many years, it is past time to demand A CHANGE. To be aggressive in your actions as protesters and the destruction and theft of your own neighborhoods and property is not the answernoris it acceptable.

As Prince Hall Masons with the Grand Architect of the Universe directing our path, it is our obligation to be positive and visible in our communities, to have positive interactions and dialog in the community to educate and bring about positive change. A change for equality, and equal justice under the law. We should let our voices be heard and let our light shine. If you continue to be silent you are part of the problem and not a part of the solution.

We as members of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free & Accepted Masons of Kentucky, Inc., stand with and support the families. We offer our humblest sympathy and prayers to the families that have lost family members and loved ones to racial and social injustice.

I ask that you as Prince Hall Masons come together and have a voice with other community leaders, government officials, and local law enforcement to help heal and bring our communities together.

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