



## **JIAR Condemns the Tragic Death of George Floyd and Calls for Justice**

“Oh you who believe, uphold justice and bear witness to God, even if it is against yourselves, or your close relatives. Whether the person is rich or poor, God can best take care of both. Refrain from following your own desire, so that you can act justly- if you distort or neglect justice, God is fully aware of what you do.” -Quran 4:135

Jamaat Ibad Ar-Rahman (JIAR) condemns the horrific act leading to the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis and calls for justice for his family, friends and community. JIAR asks for a thorough investigation of his murder. All Americans, irrespective of race, religion or creed must come together and work towards curing and abolishing the plague of racism that has existed for far too long.

Our beloved prophet ﷺ (peace be upon him) in his final sermon said, “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 a white except by piety and good action.” He instructed this as a reminder to uphold these important axioms for the progress of our society.

JIAR realizes that there is much work to be done to eradicate racism both locally and nationally. JIAR will be conducting educational programs including the Friday sermons to spread awareness and teach the values of justice, equality and unity. JIAR will also collaborate with local mosques and leaders to combat racism on a continuous basis for the betterment and progress of our society.

It is the vision of JIAR to provide religious and social services to all Muslims and facilitate communication and mutual understanding in the Triangle Area of North Carolina and beyond.

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