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The faculty and staff of UNM's Honors College join other Lobo voices decrying the racism and anti-black actions that have impacted our campus and country. We mourn the murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, and countless other victims of centuries-long systems of oppression and violence fueled by ideologies of white supremacy.

We echo the call for justice in response to these killings, we support the vital right to protest peacefully in the face of inequities and suppression, and we recognize the role that privilege has played in creating structural biases in America and in other countries. We acknowledge and share the pain and grief that many in our university community, city, state, and nation are experiencing. We stand in solidarity with and support Black communities, the Africana Studies Program at UNM, and all students, faculty, and staff of color in our college and on this campus.

We further acknowledge the tremendous work involved in creating real change, and we pledge our resources in support of creating needed change. We remain committed to continue learning and evolving. We strive to make Honors at UNM a place for all students, faculty, and staff to explore, learn, ask questions, and actively contribute to a more socially just society.

Sincerely,

Honors College Faculty and Staff