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Statement on Racial Injustice

Washington, DC—The Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities released the following statement today:

The Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities joins those who are horrified by George Floyd's senseless and violent death in Minneapolis, as well as all those who see the larger evil it exemplifies. As Jill Lepore's new history of the United States makes abundantly clear, racism is America's original sin. It continues to complicate all our attempts to create a truly human civil society. Catholic colleges and universities — rooted in Jesus Christ's own boundless love — strive to cultivate a deep sense of human dignity and to form engaged citizens who fight every form of injustice and effect positive change. Clearly, those of us who accept the audacious task of leading faith-based education still have much work to do.

The **ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**, founded in 1899, serves as the collective voice of U.S. Catholic higher education. Through programs and services, the association strengthens and promotes the Catholic identity and mission of its member institutions so that all associated with Catholic higher education can contribute to the greater good of the world and the Church.