June 2, 2020

Mayor James Kenney
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Dear Mayor Kenney:

We, the undersigned, are an interfaith, diverse group of faith leaders who serve thousands of Philadelphians on a weekly basis. Our members either live or work in the city. The members we minister to expect that we will raise our voices on their behalf when we perceive that things are not as they should be. In this moment of great social upheaval and unrest, we find it necessary to write to you to express our deep concern about several pressing matters.

As the anger at the murder of Minneapolis resident George Floyd has risen in Philadelphia, the lack of clear, bold answers from our elected leaders has led to the righteous rage of thousands against police violence and brutality. We are mindful that the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. called riots the language of the unheard. But, Dr. King went a step further and suggested that we ask ourselves this question: What is it that the unheard are saying?

This is what we hear from our members:

1. **We must change the spending priorities in the budget**
As we watch the streets, we are also watching the budget process. We find it objectionable that at a time when deep cuts are being proposed across the board that the Philadelphia Police Department is slated for an increase. Budgets are moral documents that speak in a powerful way about what we value and treasure. We need a budget that heals by giving our young people fully funded libraries and recreation centers, not more police. We need a budget that heals by creating jobs and investing in the Office of Workforce Development and Office of Adult Education, instead of cutting them. We need a budget that protects people from mass evictions. Our children need fully funded schools, not a budget that makes policing and incarcerating the largest portion of our spending. And we need a budget that uses the spending power of Council to end police abuse in Philadelphia. The city has been generous enough already by providing a 2.5% pay raise for law enforcement. We believe this is enough under the current backdrop of city-wide pay cuts, layoffs, and furloughs. Therefore, we urge you to say publicly that you will not provide the Police Department with $14 million in additional funding.

2. We must support the Black Doctors COVID19 Consortium

Under the leadership of Dr. Ala Stanford and fellow Black doctors, supported by her pastor and area clergy, the Black Doctors COVID19 Consortium has raised just shy of $200,000 and tested over 5,000 mostly African American residents in the hardest-hit zip codes for COVID19. In addition, they have become skilled at contact tracing. This is important in that Black Pennsylvanians are dying at twice the rate of their White neighbors. Yet, to date, the only resources they have received from the City of Philadelphia has been PPE (Personal Protective Equipment). The city must do more to support this life-saving effort. Philadelphia has received just under $100 million in federal funds for COVID19 testing and contact tracing. The Black Doctors COVID19 Consortium has proven itself and deserves to share in the leadership of how these funds are allocated during this pandemic. Therefore, we call upon you to ensure that the Black Doctors COVID19 Consortium receives a significant amount of the funding for both continued testing and contact tracing.

3. The statue of former mayor Frank Rizzo must go now

While we appreciate your commitment to living up to the more than 2-year promise you made to remove the statue of Frank Rizzo from city-owned property by the end of the month, that is simply not good enough. The presence of the statue is a daily, painful reminder to Black residents of the type of abuses of policing power that led to the recent police killings of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor. We cannot wait another month and possibly longer. We have a solution. We call upon you to cover the Rizzo Statue immediately so that it will no longer be seen on city property until it is finally removed.

4. Stand against the rehiring of ousted “Facebook” Philadelphia Police officers

Last year, 13 Philadelphia Police officers were fired due to their conduct on social media, which included racist, bigoted, Islamophobic, misogynistic content. Thanks to the Plain View Project, this conduct was brought to light, which resulted in the termination of the said officers. However, arbitration is such a powerful tool that it often helps officers get
their jobs back even when deemed by their own colleagues as unfit to serve. We call upon you as Mayor to join us in stating publicly that these persons should never work in law enforcement again and to call for as much transparency as possible in the arbitration process.

5. Stand in solidarity with Minneapolis

The killing of George Floyd has hit all us in a most painful way. We who have seen the video have been forever scarred with the sight and sound of the former officer with his knee on his throat as he gasped for his last breath, as he called out for his mother, as the crowd pleaded for the police to stop. We are grateful that the wheels of justice have started to move by arresting the officer directly responsible for what their District Attorney believes was murder. But, he did not act alone. The other 3 officers stood by and did nothing. We believe that they too are partly responsible for the death of George Floyd. We ask that you publicly join our call through a resolution to arrest all officers involved in the death of Mr. Floyd as an act of solidarity with the people of Minneapolis.

In summary, this city is our beloved home. The choices we make in the coming days will shape the future of our city for years ahead. This moment requires bold and clear leadership. As a first step, we ask that: (1) you reject any city budget that increases spending on the police while starving the community services we need and that fails to use the spending power of Council to end police abuse in Philadelphia; (2) that you take action to address the appalling death rate from COVID-19 in Black neighborhoods by assuring that the Black Doctors COVID-19 Consortium is supported with funding for testing and contact tracing; (3) that you immediately remove the Rizzo statue and the legacy it stands for; (4) that you stand publicly against the rehiring of racist police officers; and (5) that you speak out publicly on the need to arrest all four officers who participated in the murder of George Floyd.

To talk about all of these urgent issues in this extraordinary moment, we are formally requesting that you and your staff attend a community public hearing online that we will call in the next days. The ability of our communities and our leaders to participate in the decision-making that is our hard-fought democratic right is deeply curtailed by this coronavirus moment and by the militarization of our streets. We need you to speak with your communities and us immediately on these urgent matters. For more information please contact Bishop Dwayne Royster at droyster@powerphiladelphia.org (215) 232-7697.

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