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“Life is no ‘brief candle’ to me. It is sort of a splendid torch which I have a hold of for the moment, and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it over to future generations.” – George Bernard Shaw

We are living through a defining moment in history. The convergence of two pandemics is testing our mission, *"Learn Law. Live Justice."*

Coronavirus is testing our resolve to Learn Law. The virus of racism is testing our resolve to Live Justice.

Let's grab the splendid torch of social justice passed to us from civil rights and social justice icons like **Jane Edna Hunter '25, Norman S. Minor '27, Judge Jean Murrell Capers '45, Congressman Louis Stokes '53, Mayor Carl Stokes '56, and C. Lyonel Jones '63** and a long line of guardians of justice enshrined in our [Hall of Fame](#).

Let our mission be our call to action.

Last week we issued our [Call to Action](#) to address racial and social justice and antiracism. This is just a beginning. We commit to spending the upcoming academic year deepening our collective understanding, identifying possible solutions, taking effective action, and expanding and enhancing our resources.

We have created a [No Room for Silence](#) webpage, named from the words of our [CSU C|M|LAW Black Law Students Association \(BLSA\) Statement](#), that includes our Call to Action and other relevant messages and statements.

We also have created a [Social Justice and Antiracism Resources Guide](#). This is a continual work in progress. Please send suggested submissions to CSU C|M|LAW Library Research Services at research.services@law.csuohio.edu

Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay Committed to Living Justice.

***My best,
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