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Dear UNLV Boyd Students and the Boyd Community,

The Black Law Students Association stands in solidarity with the UNLV William S. Boyd School of Law in denouncing abhorrent acts of racism, and police violence. As Nevada's law school, it is of paramount importance that we maintain a community built on the foundation of respect and equality.

We will never tolerate violence towards our local law enforcement officials who put their lives on the line each day. Their service is a fundamental component to a functioning democracy. It is our mission to continue to strengthen our relationship with law enforcement.

At the same time, we must continue pushing for solutions that meet the needs of our communities. Nevada is at its best when all of our communities are able to reach their full potential.

As members of the legal community we aspire to foster a justice system that serves the needs of all individuals. Until we solve the documented systematic failures of policing institutions towards African Americans and other people of color, we fall short of equality.

President Obama's reminder is still relevant: "Our destiny is not written for us, it's written by us." When we look back at this time, let's look back without regret.

On June 17, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., we invite you to join us on Zoom for a forum on "Protest and Policing" with the Black Law Student Association, UNLV Boyd Law Professors, and representatives from the Las Vegas Metro Police Department and the Clark County District Attorney's Office.

We refuse to settle for moral deficiency.

Sincerely,

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