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Dear Members of the Alderson Broaddus University Family:

The events of the past two weeks, especially in regard to the untimely death of George Floyd and its aftermath, has brought to mind our painful legacy of race relations in our country. As members of the Alderson Broaddus University family, our hearts are saddened and honestly angered as to where we are in today's society.

Alderson Broaddus University neither tolerates or condones any acts of racism, prejudice, hatred or violence in any form. The Mission Statement and values of our University calls us to reflect on our own lives, to listen to one another and to react with honesty, integrity and concern.

The days moving forward will hopefully provide opportunities to heal and proactively ponder a new path forward in race relations and diversity in our contemporary world. Our collective task is to provide avenues of justice and equality.

As a community of faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends, we must do better and we will do this "together." Our responsibility is one of reflection and accountability. Our faith and belief in one another calls us to move forward with determination and a sense of humility.

As we proceed, I am confident that we will discover ways in which we can fight against this awful scourge that affects us this day and has adversely affected us in the past.

As the President of Alderson Broaddus University, my expectation is for each one of us to discover the best of who we are and aspire to be.

My prayers and best wishes,

Dr.James Tim" Barry President