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In the spirit of the nonviolent Jesus and the example of peacemaking handed down to us from Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi, the leadership team of the Felician Sisters of North America decries and mourns the murder of George Floyd and all our brothers and sisters who have been murdered due to the violence of those sworn to protect all citizens.

We condemn the constant mistreatment of human beings based on the color of their skin while acknowledging our own individual complicity in the sin of racism. We believe that all human beings are made in the image and likeness of God yet acknowledge that racism privileges some at the expense of others.

We recognize that, in the words of Martin Luther King, Jr., “to create a beloved community . . . will require a qualitative change in our souls, as well as a qualitative change in our lives.” As Franciscans committed to continuous conversion, we ask God’s help to do all we can to bring justice, reconciliation, and peace to our neighborhoods and to our nation.

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