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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The El Concilio Coalition at Arizona State University acknowledges the recent murder of George Floyd by the Minneapolis Police and we mourn his death along with the many Black lives taken by law enforcement including Dion Johnson who was shot killed by DPS trooper on May 25, 2020, right here in Arizona. We offer our support to all communities affected.

These current events further bring to light the long-standing prejudice and violence against Black lives all across the country. It is also important to acknowledge the anti-Black sentiments and racism that is heavily prevalent in the Latinx community and the ongoing erasure of Afro-Latinxs in our community. As a new generation of Latinxs, we must denounce and dismantle racist remarks and mindsets that exist within our community that include ourselves, family, and friends. The first steps to creating change are accountability and acknowledging these ongoing problems.

El Concilio condemns any and all acts of racism, violence, and hatred directed towards the Black Community. We stand with them, support, and hope to uplift their voices during this time. We ask you to continue to share awareness, resources, bail fund projects, and support with the Black Community and the Black Lives Matter movement. Below is a list of ways that can help and support.

Ways to help

Black People's Justice Fund - Metro Phoenix

Arizona Justice Bailout fund

Minnesota Freedom Fund