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The Arizona Library Association strongly condemns the institutionalized violence and racism that has been exposed, yet again, in our society. We mourn for the deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Philando Castile, Alton Sterling, Walter Scott, Tamir Rice, Michael Brown, and Eric Garner, among others, and press for reflection and action. As the professional organization representing libraries of every type (academic, public, school, and special) across the great State of Arizona, we believe in working together with our communities, with those looking to expand opportunities, improve quality of life, promote public safety, enhance learning and access to information, but we cannot carry out this work without directly confronting racism wherever it resides and proactively working to bring about its end. We are committed to leading and supporting Arizonans as we reflect on the realities of race and privilege and encourage activities that remove barriers and promote inclusivity.

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at the deaths of Black Lives and condemns violence and racism toward Black,  
Indigenous, and People of Color.

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