



CITY OF FALLS CHURCH

DATE: June 11, 2020

Statement from the Library Board of Trustees:

The Board of Trustees of the Mary Riley Styles Public Library commends and fully supports the statement of Library Director Jenny Carroll concerning the treatment of African Americans in our country. We share her outrage over the tragic events of recent weeks and the long history of racism from which those events spring. We enthusiastically support her efforts to use our Library to help address those issues forthrightly, through open dialogue and through increasing resources and books that may help guide us forward. Our communities' libraries share the guiding principles of accessibility, equity, inclusivity, education, intellectual freedom, and a welcoming environment for all. We are committed to upholding these tenets and actively standing against discrimination and racism.

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