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CITY OF TROTWOOD

Official Statement on **Racism and Discriminatory Practices**

Trotwood, Ohio [06/29/2020] - The City of Trotwood is committed to protecting the constitutional rights of all people and will fight and advocate for all men, women, and children to be treated fair and free of racial bias or bigotry.

We understand and acknowledge the long history of hurt and pain in America caused by institutional racism, implicit bias, discriminatory policies and practices, and racial prejudice. Furthermore, we recognize the adverse impact these customs have had on the education, finances, health, and the overall success of minorities in America.


The City of Trotwood denounces this behavior and will actively work to dismantle discriminatory and racist practices across the criminal justice system.

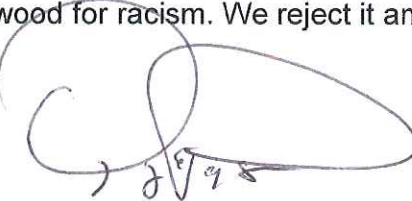
Further, the City of Trotwood declares all systematic, structural, institutional, and interpersonal forms of racism to be an urgent threat to public health, the advancement of equality, and a barrier to protecting and serving all mankind. Therefore, we will work to make sure our legislators are held accountable for the policies they create and implement.

The City of Trotwood is a voice for those who have been systematically underrepresented. Our first responders, especially our police department, are committed to the safety of all residents and visitors. Our police department is expanding training for officers, including de-escalation, implicit bias, and anti-bias training. Police Chief Erik Wilson is committed to recruiting men and women with good character and all officers will continue to be held to the highest moral and ethical standards.

Our police department has a strong association with the community and a high approval rating for the service it provides. It is through these relationships that we will continue to listen, grow, and better serve our citizens.

Finally, there is no place in Trotwood for racism. We reject it and condemn it!


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