



# The Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys

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The Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys stands firmly with the peaceful protests against decades of injustice resulting in senseless violent deaths of black youths perpetrated by some police officers, the most recent being George Floyd. The Council offers condolences to the family, friends and supporters of George Floyd and condemns any acts of racism, and discrimination that deprive others of dignity. We profess that all human beings are made in the image of the creator and as such have the right to self-determination free from discrimination.

As an organization dedicated to improving the lives of black men and boys, we demand systemic change that correct the underlying cause of violence against black youths such as institutionalized racism, and systemic prejudices. We support rational police reform that includes, but is not limited to, citizen review boards and external review of inappropriate conduct by police. We support all Americans who peacefully fight against racial injustice and promote national unity.

Eddy Regnier, PhD., Chairman

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