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Lake Forest Community,

The Lake Forest City Council holds its oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States in the highest regard. As such, we support equality, your right to free speech, and your right to peaceful assembly. The City does not condone excessive force or racism from those entrusted to protect the public.

Recent events outside of Orange County propelled the issue of disparate treatment of minorities to the forefront and spurred examinations of the relationship between law enforcement, governments, and the communities to which they serve. Public agencies must pursue the highest standards, and the misdeeds of any public agency individual can erode the public's trust.

The City supports and appreciates the fine work of Sheriff Don Barnes and Orange County Sheriff's Department in its efforts to provide public safety in a just and equitable manner. Sheriff Barnes stresses that law enforcement "...must be free from racial discrimination and adhere to the constitutional rights of each person," and holds his deputies (or agency) to this standard. The City is analyzing its policies and examining long-held practices with fresh insight. Similarly, we encourage our partner agencies serving Lake Forest residents to examine their own policies and procedures.

The City appreciates that the June 6 march through Lake Forest was one of the largest peaceful protests in Orange County. We support an ongoing discussion and we will continue to work with OCSD and our residents to ensure every individual is safe in Lake Forest.

Public trust is one of our most precious assets and we value your confidence in the City.

Thank you,

Neeki Moatazedi, Mayor

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