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### Statement on Recent Acts Underscoring Systemic Racism and Violence Against Black and Brown Communities

CHAPEL HILL, NC - As an organization borne of a commitment to create an inclusive society, Theta Nu Xi Multicultural Sorority, Inc. denounces and condemns any acts of violence against our Black and Brown communities. Our communities should not live in fear of violence and continuous dehumanization.

We send our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Ahmaud Arbery and Sean Reed, as well as all those impacted by these horrific acts. We grieve with them and share in the desire to demand swifter action and foster change to create a more just and safe society for all.

Ahmaud and Sean's murders and the delayed accountability are additional incidents that compound decades of racism, violence, and trauma faced by our Black and Brown communities. While Ahmaud and Sean's murders are in the public eye, we also acknowledge the daily ways that Black and Brown communities are under unrelenting attack at the grip of systemic racism. We proclaim and uplift yet again and always that #blacklivesmatter in a world that continues to show abject disregard for their lives.

To our members of the Black community and the African Diaspora, we see your pain, we are with you in solidarity, we recognize your resilience, we uplift your humanity, and we demand justice alongside you.

We call on our members, our campus partners, and our communities to demand justice and real accountability by taking action, signing a petition [Ahmaud Arbery](#), and [Sean Reed](#), participating in the [virtual run](#), and/or donating to [Run with Maud](#). Check out [runwithmaud.com](#) for more ways to take action, and learn more about #WeAreDoneDying, an initiative by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, at [www.naacp.org](#).

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