

## Atlanta Committee for Progress Statement

The senseless and horrific events of the past several weeks have left the people of our community reeling with anguish, fear, frustration and justified anger. Our hearts ache for the pain being felt by our neighbors, friends, families and colleagues.

As business leaders in Atlanta, with its deep and rich legacy of peaceful protest, we know too well the injustice that continues to plague our community from racism, discrimination and violence. Our shared history compels us to work together to create a better future for everyone.

Our city's leaders have been models for the nation with their compassion and empathy during the past several days. We thank Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms, the City of Atlanta staff, the Atlanta Police and Fire Rescue Departments for their thoughtful, human approach to the unrest in our community. We are committed to working with them and other civic leaders to move forward to a more inclusive and just society.

We know that words aren't enough. Concrete actions and solutions are essential to reverse the long history of systemic racism and injustice that is a stain on our great nation.

Collectively and individually, we believe in an inclusive world. We believe everyone's voice should be heard. We believe in freedom of expression. And we stand ready to help build a better future for all.

As business leaders with deep ties to Atlanta, we pledge to do our part.



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