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Dear Patient,

It is with a heavy heart that I am writing to you today. The tragic death of George Floyd has resulted in an emotional reaction heard around the world. As we all process our collective grief, I want to ensure you that patient care and community healing are our top priorities.

This comes at a time when the COVID-19 pandemic continues to command our attention. We know the strains are immense and we want to offer our support. We are concerned about the mental health and well-being of our UCLA Health community and we want you to know we are here for you.

During these unimaginably difficult times, we are as committed as we have always been to our core goals of healing humankind, alleviating suffering and delivering acts of kindness. These actions are perfectly aligned to what is needed now across our country.

For today, I want to express my sorrow at the tragedy, which has befallen the family of George Floyd and the devastating impact it has had across our nation.

During this time, if you are in need of emotional support UCLA Health has a number of online resources available. Please visit our [Mindful Awareness Research Center website](#).

Our hospitals and clinics continue to be open to see patients for all medical needs. Additionally, we are now able to allow patients to have a family member/visitor with them when hospitalized. Our hours of operation will be updated regularly on our [website](#).

We'll get through this together.

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