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As a society, we continue to grapple with the harsh realities of being Black in America. Today, George Floyd’s family laid him to rest here in our community. The Superintendent and Board of Trustees join together to express our sincere condolences to his family and declare our stance against racism and discrimination.

Pearland ISD’s mission is to equip all learners to reach their highest potential. To our students, staff, administrators and community members, we acknowledge that we still have far to go in the fight against racism. As the leaders of one of the most diverse school districts in Texas, we celebrate and value all students regardless of their religion, ethnicity, socio-economic status, sexual orientation or gender and affirm that Black lives do indeed matter.

We truly believe the success of Pearland ISD is because of our beautifully diverse population. Our District continually teaches acceptance and love and will move to correct behavior from anyone opposite to those standards. Each student and staff member should be provided with a supportive and safe environment in which to thrive and meet their highest potential.

We will continue to support the work of the Culturally Responsive Committee, which is having tough conversations dealing with structural racism. Our work is not done, and we look forward to thoughtful community engagement to make Pearland ISD a more equitable and just district.