

## White Privilege Black Lives Matter Statement of the Milwaukee Friends Meeting June 26, 2020

Members of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) believe that there is that of God in every person. Through the centuries we have experienced God (the Light, Spirit, Love) leading us to act corporately and individually for peace and justice and against oppression, racism, injustice and violence. We continue to seek divine guidance.

We of Milwaukee Friends Meeting grieve for the loss of precious lives, and we stand with the Black Lives Matter movement. To people of color everywhere, we acknowledge your pain, frustration and exhaustion. We acknowledge your spirit, courage, and leadership.

We commit ourselves anew to this work by examining white privilege in our own lives and joining with others to end systemic racism in our community and across the nation.