LETTER OF SOLIDARITY

The country and the world are making their voices heard. From San Diego to Syria, from Boston to Berlin, from Minneapolis to our hearts, there is a cry for equal justice under the law regardless of race, sex, or positions of power. It is a voice echoed across generations, yet it is finally being heard in a language all can understand. Now, more than ever before, we have seen laid bare the inequities of the modern criminal justice system.

Business is not apolitical, nor is it detached from the law. The fundamental tenets of trust, fairness, and equality in dealings pervade all aspects of law. Businesses and markets are no different. If these central pillars fail, then all else crumbles atop them. What affects one affects us all.

Therefore, the USD Business Law Society is adding its voice to speak up against racial injustice and police brutality. We acknowledge their existence and abhor such actions. We are resolved against them and committed to do everything in our present and future careers to ensure that such unjust cruelty is prevented. We do this not because it is the law, but because it is right, and we will see it become our reality.

We stand in alliance with MELSA, ACE, LS4CRU, USD La Raza, USD WLC, USD APALSA, and USD CLS, and encourage other USD organizations to join with us in being an ally and advocate for black communities, as well as all other minority communities that have been condemned by an unequal and unfair system of justice. Black lives matter, and we pledge to continue to fight alongside black and minority communities, so that we may repair our foundations of trust, fairness, and equality under the law.

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