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MAYOR'S STATEMENT George Floyd Trial Outcome

I send my deepest condolences to the Floyd family and all who have been impacted by the cruel and senseless death of George Floyd.

The jury gave their "true and correct verdict" reflecting the will of the people. Our society has been empowered by this verdict. This is a step forward rather than a step back.

We are at an inflection point in America and we hold our breath in anticipation. Our recent forum with the Albany Chief of Police reminds us of the dedication of our public officers who have sworn to protect and serve the community.

I hear the cries of relief and I cry with you. Now is the time to stand in solidarity with other communities of color to build one united nation against hate.

Despite advancements in civil rights over the past decades, I am saddened by the rash of police violence against people of color, all in the name of community policing and public safety. The undeniable brutal actions of Derek Chauvin have shined the light on American policing in a civilized society.

As our community expresses its civil rights with public protests, my wish for Bay Area residents is to march in peace, honoring those who have left us far too soon.

Mayor Gary