



Armondo Pavone Mayor

Remarks from Renton Mayor Armondo Pavone

Prayer Vigil for George Floyd
Piazza Park, Renton
Wednesday, June 3, 2020

"It's important today that we honor the memory of George Floyd and reflect on the horrible actions that led to his death.

"As elected officials, now is the time for us to listen and to hear your concerns.

"We need to be listening to those speaking out right now. We cannot be standing in this same place six months from now or six years from now giving the same speech.

"If there was ever a moment to acknowledge injustice and recommit to eradicating it, it is right now.

"This is the moment in time to make a difference. This is the moment in time to change a nation. This is a moment in time for solutions and to work together for justice.

"I take this responsibility very seriously both as a mayor and as a Renton resident.

"Renton has been working hard at cultivating relationships of trust and inclusion for a long time.

"I stand with Dr. Smith, a community leader and the chair of the Renton African American Pastoral Group. Together with the Renton police and the City of Renton we have been working together with the African American community to build bridges, create understanding and have respect.

"We have always shown how powerful we are when we stand together."

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