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Statement on conviction of Derek Chauvin for the murder of George Floyd

In response to the conviction of Derek Chauvin for George Floyd's murder, National Council of Nonprofits President and CEO Tim Delaney released the following statement:

"Today, jurors in a Minnesota courtroom honored their oaths to render an impartial verdict. Based on what they saw on the video, what they heard in testimony, and what they felt in their hearts, they convicted Derek Chauvin of murdering George Floyd.

"We could not look away from the video of George Floyd's murder last summer. And we can no longer look away from the reality that change is sorely needed in our communities. We need to identify and implement meaningful solutions to eliminate the racial injustices that, for too long, we've witnessed – and too many have experienced – in the communities where we live. The structural and cultural racism will not be eliminated overnight. But we cannot wait one more day to move toward breaking down the systems that continue to produce different life experiences and different life spans for people based solely on the color of their skin."

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