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SACRAMENTO, CA - The California/Hawaii State Conference of the NAACP is genuinely disturbed at how institutional racism, and lack of seeing African American’s as human beings, has led to the death of yet another individual at the hands of the police.

What is happening right now is nothing new, relative to the treatment of African Americans. This treatment occurs both in policing and in the professional world. We live in an era where Ahmaud Arbery, a black man killed for simply jogging. The recent death of George Floyd is what’s currently causing the protests, however things such as Amy Cooper’s threat to Christian Cooper in New York’s Central Park also fit into the larger national dialogue on racism.

Clearly institutional racism and attacks on African Americans are not slowing down. Enough is enough, and we demand that those responsible for continuing to be the purveyors of institutional racism remove their collective knee from our neck and allow the African American community to continue to breath, grow and flourish.

CA/HI NAACP is calling for:

1. The arrest of, and Federal and State charges for the additional 3 officers in the case of George Floyd. Additionally, we are calling for all four officers to be charged with 1st degree murder.

2. Local police departments and local governments to help with the removal of white supremacists and other provocateurs, who are intentionally causing issues, in our peaceful protests.

3. Desertification of all police officers on the Brady List.

4. Automatic process to place all dishonest and unethical police officers on the Brady List.

5. Individuals on the Brady list statewide to be made public and more easily accessible for the public.

6. Creation of a law that prevents police officers from shooting unarmed peaceful protesters who have their hands up.

7. Governor Newsom to create a commission to explore the issues we have identified above, in addition to other related issues which are plaguing the African American community in California. These things are happening in California.