FACRL stands with the Black Caucus of the American Library Association (BCALA) and other organizations that condemn violence and racism aimed at Black people and all People of Color.

FACRL’s Executive Board denounces the deaths of Black citizens George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and all others (feel free to add names) who were targeted because of their race, and asks members of the Florida library community to recognize that systemic racism exist, and to work in solidarity to end racism and its effects. Ignoring the threats of racism not only serves as a barrier to equality for citizens of our country but ensures that the violence associated with racism remains unchecked and continues to spread within our borders and beyond.

In addition to fighting racism, FACRL is committed to enhancing the diversity of its leadership by creating a more inclusive executive board. The Executive Board pledges to make diverse representation and inclusivity a priority, and will activity seek out Black and People of Color to run for leadership roles for upcoming elections and to fill chair positions.

The fight against racism is important. We must all do better, and starting now FACRL commits to be more engaged in the fight.