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It is hideous what happened to Mr. Floyd that day in Minneapolis. The arresting officer and his team appear to be guilty of causing and/or aiding to the death of Mr. Floyd. However, our system of justice in our government law provides that all are innocent until proven guilty. That system is playing out with the arrest and indictment of the officers. Now we must wait until our system takes its course, however difficult that may be with the emotion that this event created. To do otherwise is anarchy.

Our city police department has to be one of the most advanced policing organizations in the country, with the diverse staff and training. These men and women are committed to good and risk their lives every work day in that pursuit for us. Highly respect and thank them.

Long Beach does not need to reconcile as they are not guilty of systemic racism. Long Beach is already on the right track. The last thing we need right now is racial divide based on emotion. Let's look at the statistics from the police department on racial performance and make decisions. I suspect that looking at these facts, we will find we are not guilty. Please take a deep breath.