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## **Statement On Racism And Violence In Charlottesville, Virginia**

What occurred in Charlottesville, VA, is tragic and I condemn the bigotry and hatred exhibited. The Pace Community mourns the loss of life and the injuries inflicted on those who were defending what we hold dear in our country—equality and respect for one another no matter our race, creed, or ethnic background.

As we observe Constitution Day this September 18 and the document that created our government and laws, and guaranteed basic rights for every citizen, we will thoughtfully and respectfully discuss our current cultural climate and different perspectives. It is our common bond and a reminder of what is right and just, and wrong and indefensible, of who we are as a people, and of who we must always strive to be. It is proof that bigotry, violence, and hatred can never prevail.

Ours is a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming community and we can show by example our openness to learn from one another. There is no better place for this to occur than at an institution devoted to education. I look forward to these discussions.

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