



EAST WHITELAND TOWNSHIP

THE HEART OF GREAT VALLEY

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The Supervisors and employees of East Whiteland Township deplore the cruel and unwarranted treatment of George Floyd that led to his death, and we acknowledge the pain and anger that it caused for his family, the black community, and our entire nation. The police officers' actions that day are indefensible. While some may use this tragic incident to further divide our country, we hope that instead it will encourage greater efforts to amend the long-standing inequities in our personal and civic relationships. We strongly condemn further violence and criminal behavior by anyone, as it only serves to delegitimize the valid grievances felt and expressed through peaceful means.

East Whiteland Police officers are held to the highest standards and act with professionalism at all times. They will continue serving the public with dignity and respect regardless of an individuals' personal background. They are explicitly charged with the safety of all township residents and visitors. To assure that they can achieve that goal, we have initiated the installation of body and car cameras. Furthermore, our officers are extensively trained in de-escalation techniques, community relations and the use of appropriate force only when necessary. Police leadership regularly reinforces the need for respectful treatment of all persons.

In this time of extraordinary stress and uncertainty, we hope that all of East Whiteland will join us in working for a more compassionate, peaceful and equitable community.

East Whiteland Township Supervisors
Scott Lambert, Richard Orlow, Susan Drummond

Chief Chris Yeager, East Whiteland Police