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Embedded in Amego's mission statement is the commitment to inclusion and community. These principles are important now more than ever as we watch the events around the world and in our country develop. We continue to maintain the health and safety of our staff and the individuals we serve through this pandemic, and are now battling the historical, systemic injustice of racial inequality. In recent days, feelings of anger, sadness and confusion have arisen in response to police brutality and the tragic, unwarranted murder of George Floyd. We must all rise up and speak out against the racism that is present in our country. We must acknowledge and address racial inequality in our communities and beyond to ensure a more inclusive and equitable future.

Amego remains committed to the individuals we support and the staff who enable us to do so. We will continue to advocate for justice and equality for all, as we do each and every day for our staff and those we support. We will continue to challenge one another to ensure we are addressing the inequities and injustices present in our communities. We won't oblige systems that promote oppression and discrimination. We remain committed to the simple principle of justice for all.

The majority of people that support our clients – your loved ones – are minorities. Our staff come from diverse backgrounds and include immigrants and refugees from African and Island Nations. They come to America and acclimate as evidenced by an un-resounding willingness to work to provide opportunities for themselves and their families. Many of our staff work multiple jobs or many hours of overtime to provide the basic necessities for their families. Many of our staff put themselves through college and provide opportunities for their children to attend decent schools and work to become productive Americans.

We stand with our staff and will continue to support them, advocate for better salaries, and will be with them during this difficult period in our history.

Hoping for peaceful days ahead!

John Cuntal

President and Chief Executive Officer