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“Derek Chauvin, the former Minneapolis police officer charged with murder in the death of George Floyd, was found guilty yesterday. The life of George Floyd matters and the guilty verdict is an important step towards accountability when it comes to racial injustice. Last year, the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) shared our belief we must move forward together to create a more equitable future for our region, and we remain firm in that belief as reflected in our actions over the past year. The Chamber articulated our values in an [Inclusivity Statement](#) shared with all members. Yesterday’s verdict affirmed the importance of continuing to use our voice to drive meaningful change in our community and region.”

~ Kathryn Falk  
*Chairman of the Board of Directors*