



## PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

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### **Chair of Prince William Human Rights Commission Issues Statement**

*March 30, 2020 – Prince William County, Virginia.* Curtis Porter, Chair of the Prince William Human Rights Commission issued the following statement today:

We are all experiencing difficult and trying times. Nature has challenged us with a deadly and highly contagious virus that has no immediate cure or treatment. Nobody but nature is to blame for this calamity. Now more than ever, we must rely on each other for protecting our lives and the lives of our loved ones.

It is time for unity and solidarity. We must follow the guidance from our local, state, and federal government on how to slow down the spread of this virus. We must protect and support our neighbors regardless of their race, color, age, sex, ethnicity, abilities, or preferences. We must buy from our local businesses and help our neighbors in need. We must all act as one, as Americans, true to our values and having complete faith that we will overcome this situation as we have always done, unified in purpose and action, and with relentless determination.

Please be safe and make others safe.

### **About the Human Rights Commission**

The Human Rights mission is to eliminate discrimination through civil and human rights law enforcement and to establish equal opportunity for all persons within the county through advocacy and education. The Human Rights Commission consists of nine at-large members appointed by the Board of County Supervisors (BOCS). Commissioners advise the BOCS on issues pertaining to human and civil rights enforcement and concerns that arise in the community.

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