

A LONG TALK

ABOUT THE UNCOMFORTABLE TRUTH

Welcome to the beginning of the end. The first edition of The Frontline represents the opening salvo in our collective War on Ignorance as we seek racial reconciliation in America. The age of the Great Awakening is upon us. It was activated when the wailing sound of a Black man's final call for his mother traveled across the globe. That sound, coupled with the image of the insidious act that produced it, ignited the longest and largest sustained protests in the history of the world. Never before have so many, so loudly, said so much. Millions of people from all races and nationalities have raised their voices and their fists to declare that the virus of racism that plagues this great nation must be eradicated NOW.

You are receiving this because you are one of those people. You have answered that call. You have decided that you will be an outspoken voice and an anti-racist force within your circle of influence. Some of you have been actively entrenched in this battle for some time. To you, I say thank you for your service and I look forward to continuing this work by your side. To the numbers of you who are new to the front line, welcome to the right side of history. We stand with you as you stand with us. Together we agree to engage in the uncomfortable conversations that represent the chasm which divides us. Together we commit to spreading the truth and challenging racist ideas and expressions. Together we will use our power to dismantle systems of oppression and injustice. Together we will pick up the baton that has been passed on for generations of American citizens and create a society more ethical than the one we grew up in. As President Obama so eloquently stated, *"this country is a constant work in progress. We're born with instructions: to form a more perfect union. Explicit in those words is the idea that we're imperfect. That what gives each new generation purpose is to take up the unfinished work of the last and carry it further than any might have thought possible."*

Let's get to work. Let's end this once and for all. Together we can.

Powerfully yours,

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