

SENSELESS GUN VIOLENCE

NAACP Statement on Indianapolis Quadruple Murder

INDIANAPOLIS, February 6, 2020 — Last night, four young lives were lost to gun violence in an apartment on Indianapolis' northeast side. The victims were identified as 20-year-old Marcel Wills, 21-year-old Braxton Ford, 21-year-old Kimari Hunt, and 19-year-old Jalen Roberts. In response, Greater Indianapolis NAACP Branch 3053 President Chrystal Ratcliffe issued this statement:

"The Greater Indianapolis NAACP is heartbroken to learn of the senseless gun violence that took the lives of four young people last night. Our thoughts today are with their families, who are experiencing a shock and a loss that no one should have to bear -- and that too many in our community have experienced. In a few moments, four young lives were cut short. We grieve with the families. We send our condolences to the mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, extended family and friends who are mourning today. We also stand ready to work with the city, the faith community, our schools, and other community organizations to solve the problems that lead to violence, so we never experience another day like today."