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Dear Friends,

The Child Abuse Prevention Center is committed to our vision that all children grow up safe and healthy in nurturing families and communities. The conviction of Derek Chauvin this week is a single step on a monumental path toward building safe and healthy communities specifically for our communities of color who continue to experience systemic racism. While we momentarily paused to reflect on this incremental step we were immediately reminded, as the news broke of a police officer shooting and killing Ma'Khia Bryant that there is much more work to do to improve the well-being of our communities.

We know that racism is a public health threat, as identified by the Sacramento Board of Supervisors and the CDC, that impacts the work that we do to protect children and strengthen families and communities. We reaffirm our dedication to equity and anti-racism internally and in our practice.

For the Life of a Child,

Sheila Boxley
President & CEO