

**TO OUR MUSLIM BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE
WASHTENAW COUNTY COMMUNITY**

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*Assalamu Alilkum
Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatuh*

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**May the
Peace, Mercy and Blessings
of Allah
be upon You**



We, the members of the Interfaith Round Table of Washtenaw County, extend our hands in kinship with you all at this time of great tragedy and sadness in our nation. We are confounded by the misunderstanding and distressed by the ill feeling that so many of our non-Muslim countrymen have expressed toward you, and Muslims everywhere, in the wake of recent events in Paris and San Bernardino. We deeply regret the anguished rush of many to cast blame on your faith for the actions of a few who claim misguidedly to have acted in its name. And we are ashamed by the willingness of some political leaders who have callously and opportunistically sought to take advantage of the fear and concerns of their fellow citizens. None of these reactions to the present situation are in keeping with the basic tenets of our varied faiths or the aspirations of our beloved country.

We are grateful for the several occasions on which you have generously extended hospitality to us at your Center and mosque on Plymouth Road. And we treasure the richness that you add to the culture of our community. Let us hereby reach out with all we can offer by way of comfort and solidarity, as well as of whatever we can do by way of concrete support and assistance to you at this time.

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