



## Letter From the President June 12, 2020



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We are in unprecedented times. Ahmaud Arbery. Breonna Taylor. George Floyd. Just to name a few. These senseless events over the past few months have been heartbreaking and painful. In the backdrop of a pandemic which disproportionately affects African Americans, the spotlight is cast on a longstanding history of people of color suffering systemic racism, social injustice and marked health disparities. It is the responsibility of all to right these wrongs. The health and welfare of all Tennesseans are broadly affected by the triple crisis of COVID-19, economic depression, and social unrest.

The Nashville Academy of Medicine and Medical Foundation of Nashville remain committed to equality and justice. As physicians, we reaffirm the mission of our Project Access Nashville program and fully support its work to address health care disparities in underserved communities. **This is our time to make a difference. Together, we can make a difference in Nashville for our patients, our community, and our fellow physicians.**

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