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**ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY**



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle's Statement  
on Derek Chauvin Verdict**

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“What Derek Chauvin did to George Floyd, was not only a cold-blooded murder, but also a horrific dereliction of his duties, a dishonor to the men and women who have committed to serve and protect humanity, and an affront to communities throughout the country.

Today justice was served. We thank the jurors for their service, and we also thank the police professionals for their testimony and for standing up for good and just policing against Chauvin's criminal activities. My team and I feel blessed and honored to be prosecutors and to see our colleagues vigorously pursue justice professionally and masterfully.

As a nation, we now can begin healing, building trust, transforming policing and improving police-community relations across this nation. We now can also renew our focus on vigorously promoting racial equality generally. Our collective mission now must be for all of us, community members, police, social and criminal justice professionals and lawmakers, business and government to be united in this all-important goal at this critical moment of history in our country.

Though it is an emotional day for everyone as the jury has come to a verdict in the trial of Derek Chauvin, my plea to our community is that lawful and constitutionally protected actions should be carried out peacefully so as to honor the memory of George Floyd as we move forward in addressing serious policing issues and advancements.”

State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle

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