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Pelosi Statement on Re-Introduction of George Floyd Justice in Policing Act

Washington, D.C. – Speaker Nancy Pelosi issued this statement after House Democrats re-introduced the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act:

"Last summer, George Floyd spoke his final words – 'I can't breathe' – and changed the course of history in our nation. Today, by re-introducing the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act, the House is again joining the American people to turn this moment of agony into one of action, as we honor George Floyd's life and the lives of all killed by police brutality.

"The George Floyd Justice in Policing Act will address systemic racism, curb police brutality and save lives. This legislation includes bold reforms, which ban chokeholds, stop no-knock warrants, end the court-created qualified immunity doctrine, combat racial profiling, and establish strong new standards and protections to prevent and combat police misconduct.

"Sadly, despite mass protests across America and a renewed focus on the crisis of racial injustice, the epidemic of police brutality continues – with more police killings occurring last year than in the year before, and with communities of color and vulnerable groups disproportionately bearing the brunt of this cruelty. We must act decisively and urgently to end the injustice.

"Working with the Biden-Harris Administration and the millions of Americans marching and demanding action, we will not stop working until this legislation becomes law."

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