

## Message from the Executive Director: Moment of Reflection

Dear USG Community,

On August 30th, the University of Maryland College Park and Bowie State University will engage in a "moment of silence" to recognize the death of Second Lt. Richard Collins III, a Bowie State student tragically murdered on the College Park campus.

The Universities at Shady Grove will take part in this commemorative act by gathering around the Sun Dial to observe the moment of silence together. In light of the recent hate-driven events that have taken place in the country and around the world, we will tie ribbons to collectively create a display of solidarity and unity.

By coming together and acknowledging incidents of bigotry and intolerance, we aim to make a statement that reflects USG's values of diversity and community, and rebukes the purveyors of prejudice, supremacist ideologies, and hate.

Join us on Wednesday, August 30th at 11:45am at the Sun Dial in the courtyard\* to take part in this commemorative act.

\*In case of rain meet in the cafeteria.

Sincerely,

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