STAND UP FOR JUSTICE

Friday December 12, 2014 3:30-5:00pm Springfield Avenue, Champaign and Urbana

All CU area students, teachers, and citizens:

Demonstrate in <u>SOLIDARITY!</u>

Create a human chain along Springfield Avenue so that we can be

SEEN and HEARD!

Wear your school gear and bring your signs. Stand together to show this community that we matter...that our voices matter...and that

BLACK LIVES MATTER

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Students, teachers, and staff of all Champaign and Urbana area schools, the University of Illinois, Parkland College, and community members are invited to join in solidarity against the injustices being waged against people of color in our community and across the country.

In light of recent public criticism against the students of Centennial High School in their efforts to protest racial discrimination in police practices, we would like to join with students from all area high schools to assert our right to speak and be heard. We would also like to demonstrate the support of the campus communities and the citizens of Champaign, Urbana, and Savoy in our efforts to enact change in our communities and our nation.

While the schools and university have held previous separate protests, we call for a joint demonstration by all groups. We ask that students from area schools walk or travel from their schools to Springfield Avenue following their dismissal, and then move toward the center of town until they meet the other demonstrators. We ask that students, faculty, and staff from the University of Illinois and Parkland College, and community members join the students along the street. We ask all demonstrators to stand side-by-side to form a human chain along Springfield Avenue as far east and west as possible.

Our intention is to hold a **peaceful** demonstration focused on **visibility** of our presence and our message. In order to accomplish our goal we ask that all demonstrators adhere to the following guidelines as required by the Champaign Police Department:

- Observe all traffic and pedestrian laws at all times
- Remain on the sidewalks
- Do not obstruct the flow of traffic or pedestrians in any way
- Do not enter onto any private property
- Do not block access to businesses or residences in any way

Any demonstrators who engage in these behaviors will be subject to arrest by the local or state police and will subsequently tarnish the respectful non-violent nature of our demonstration.

In order to show the solidarity among our various community institutions, we ask that demonstrators either wear or promote with signs their affiliations to their school, business, or community agency.

Students and others who need transportation or assistance are encouraged to contact custudents4justice@gmail.com to make arrangements.

There are no sidewalks on the south side of Springfield between Mattis and Russell. Demonstrators will need to stand on the north side of the street in this area.

