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**Lucas County Commissioners issue statement on the verdict
in the trial of Derek Chauvin**

The jury in the trial of Derek Chauvin has reached a decision and held the former police officer accountable for the senseless and violent murder of George Floyd. We hope that the verdict will provide a measure of peace and a sense of justice to the Floyd family as they continue to grieve over the loss of their loved one. However, this case and the many others before it has demonstrated that there is still much more work to be done to end bias and prejudice for communities of color. We in Lucas County are committed to continuing the work toward just and meaningful reform to ensure justice for all. We as a community must continue to take steps to have oversight so that institutional bias doesn't create situations such as the death of George Floyd.