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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – MCC Statement on Charleston Massacre

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The Muslim Community Center (MCC) of Silver Spring, Maryland, one of the oldest Muslim faith based organizations in the Washington, DC area expresses our deepest sympathies to the families and loved ones of the nine victims who were senselessly murdered in an act of hate violence by a white supremacist on the evening of June 17th, 2015. We stand in solidarity with the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church, its members and the African American community in Charleston, South Carolina.

We urge all people of conscience to unite and strongly reject all forms of hate speech, hate violence and condemn any form of supremacist rhetoric. As American Muslims observe the holy month of Ramadan, we urge our members and society at large to reflect on the need to be united against racism, pray for peace and justice, and healing for the grieving families and loved ones affected by this massacre.

MCC's mission is to promote brotherhood and human dignity among all by developing an environment of understanding, compassion, and justice in our personal and professional lives. We strive to serve the needs of the Muslim community and community at large in a manner that promotes its positive image and standing in a changing environment. We aim to represent the Muslim community in interfaith circles, government, public and media relations, and within our society at large.

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