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**City of Bowie Offers Prayers and Condolences to Orlando Victims and Families**

**Bowie, MD** – The Council of the City of Bowie is deeply saddened by the tragic event visited upon the citizens of Orlando, Florida on June 12. The Council offers its prayers and heartfelt condolences to the victims, their families and friends, and to all the residents of greater Orlando affected by this horrific act. We encourage all to remember that our first obligation is to mourn the lost, care for the wounded, and comfort the grieving.

After that, we must defer the divisive and unnecessary words and actions that separate us. We must remain vigilant in our efforts to work together to change the climate to provide a safe community for all.

Please report anything suspicious to law enforcement – if you see something, say something. The Police non-emergency number is 301-352-1200. In an emergency, always dial 911.