Police Chief **[Police Chief’s Name]**

**[Your City]** Police Department

**[Police Street Address]**

**[City, State ZIP]**

Re: Citizen Demand for Implementation of ***8 Can’t Wait*** *Reforms*

Dear Chief **[Police Chief’s Last Name]**,

The recent death of George Floyd deeply distresses me. As a resident of **[Your City]**, I share your concern for the safety and wellbeing of our citizens.

I thank you for the steps you and the officers under your command have already taken toward police reform and accountability.

Still, more must be done.

In **[Your City]** alone, there have been **[Number of Deaths]** officer-involved deaths from 2013 - 2019. I believe this number is as troubling to you as it is to me.

Excessive force and racial bias in all police departments must stop NOW, before another person is injured or killed.

I respectfully request that you put in place the **8 Can’t Wait** ([www.8cantwait.org](http://www.8cantwait.org)) reforms that have not yet been implemented in **[Your City]**. The data proves the **8 Can’t Wait** policies have led to a reduction in officer involved deaths and an increase in public trust.

*(If you cannot find data on the use of force policies in your city add this paragraph, otherwise delete it)* As of **[Date]**, the policies of **[Your City]** for these reforms is not clear in the **8 Can’t Wait** database, which is disappointing, as **[Your City]** citizens are unable to see where we stand, what progress has been made, and what improvements are needed.

Currently, this is the **8 Can’t Wait** scorecard for **[Your City]**:

1. Ban Chokeholds and Strangleholds **[Status]**

2. Require De-Escalation **[Status]**

3. Require Warning Before Shooting **[Status]**

4. Requires Exhausting All Alternatives Before Shooting **[Status]**

5. Duty to Intervene **[Status]**

6. Ban Shooting at Moving Vehicles **[Status]**

7. Require Use of Force Continuum **[Status]**

8. Require Comprehensive Reporting **[Status]**

I call on you to produce a public, transparent, and comprehensive plan of action to implement the **8 Can’t Wait** policies by August 31, 2020.

Please inform me of your progress on or before this date.

Thank you,