

MEMORANDUM

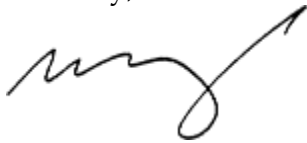
August 6, 2019

Dear members of the university community,

The shocking murders in El Paso and Dayton this weekend remind us of how fragile life is. We condemn hatred and violence. They undermine the fabric of our society. Anger, resentment, hate and fear combined with easily obtainable weapons of war can have catastrophic results, as we saw in Texas and Ohio and in all too many towns in recent years. We know we've got to do better if we are to maintain our communities as beacons of peace and prosperity.

It is with this in mind and heart that we express our profound condolences to the mounting list of people and communities subject to gun violence and hatred. As a society, we know that we can do much better. Accordingly, we will convene a **memorial/teach-in on Tuesday, August 27, 2019** (details to follow) to pay our respects to the victims of gun violence and to identify possible pathways to greater civility and comity. At our FIU, we must do as much as we possibly can to support the victims of this violence and to seek solutions that can give us greater personal and community security.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark B. Rosenberg', with a long, sweeping flourish extending upwards and to the right.

Mark B. Rosenberg
President