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I read the recent article in the Pasadena Weekly, "Make The Moment Count" by John Kennedy. I agree with his comments regarding the brutal and unnecessary deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor and Ahmaud Arbery and totally support his four starting points to increase oversight. That being said, I find his support of protesters gathering in mass completely irresponsible. These protesters who supposedly are concerned about life have shown their complete disregard for life by gathering in large groups, many without masks, and in turn placing themselves as well as the public in danger by spreading a deadly virus known as Covid-19.

I know that Councilman Kennedy is not the only public official making such irresponsible comments calling protesters who endanger the public "peaceful". It is a slap in the the face to those of us who have been taking all the precautions including wearing face masks, social distancing, and staying at home as much as possible. Those who have engaged in these mass gatherings as well as those who encourage and support it will now share responsibility for the unnecessary deaths that will occur as a result of such irresponsible behavior.

We should call irresponsible behavior wherever it is. That includes Trump supporters and others who defy the safety measures for convenience as well as BLM protesters who participate in mass gatherings. What hypocrisy to point out irresponsible behavior when we see mass gatherings at beaches, restaurants, bars or in a pool in the Ozarks then ignoring the same behavior when it fits an agenda.

In my opinion, this shows a total lack of leadership and integrity. I just hope that responsible citizens of Pasadena seriously consider this the next election. I surely will!

Regards,
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