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STATEMENT OF MAYOR BILL DE BLASIO ON NORTH CAROLINA SHOOTINGS

“I extend our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Yusor Mohammad Abu-Salha, Razan Mohammad Abu-Salha, and Deah Barakat – three university students who were gunned down in Chapel Hill, North Carolina this week – and I applaud the FBI for opening an investigation into whether this tragic, senseless act was motivated by hate or bias. Violence and intolerance directed against any faith community is an affront to humanity. New York City is home to large and vibrant Muslim communities who help make our city great, and anti-Muslim bigotry has no place in our city – or anywhere.”

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