“Violence has once again horrified us as a nation and drawn us together in sorrow. All of us – people of faith as well as those with no particular religious affiliation – are stunned by the tragic, senseless, and incomprehensible loss of life in Las Vegas. At the same time we are awed by the courage and selflessness of the first responders, touched by the kindness of generous neighbors, and moved by the actions of strangers who have reached out to care for those who have been hurt, separated from their companions and frightened. I invite all of us to pray for those whose lives were taken and those whose lives have been altered by such violence. May Mary, the Mother of Jesus, comfort the people of Las Vegas and strengthen our nation with trust in one another and hope for our common future.” – Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory, Archdiocese of Atlanta