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Letter to the Editor:

At a time when fear, distrust and even hatred are often the order of the day in our nation when it comes to any reference to Muslims, it was refreshing to see a group of local Muslim physicians condemning the recent terrorist actions in London and Glasgow said to involve Muslim doctors and medical students.

As one doctor from the group stated, "If the public is fearful or distrustful of all Muslim physicians, the terrorists will have won."

We know and have experienced local Muslim medical professionals as decent, hard-working people who are anxious to heal our physical as well as societal ills. We hope that this latest international incident does not cause any backlash or stereotyping of Muslim physicians in our St. Louis community. We recognize that bad people with bad intentions can be found within any group and any profession. We stand with all groups who condemn terrorist actions, from whatever source, and to reject any pre-judgments of any ethnic, religious, or professional class of peoples.

Yours very truly,

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