

## **A LOVE NOTE**

I get tired of hearing about love. Specifically, about love as the answer. Too often this constitutes feel-good sentimentality and vague, unsubstantial notions of idealized harmony. I know I am not alone in this. It becomes simplistic, platitudinous, even meaningless when the world is crying for real solutions and real change.

So, I offer this instead. If not love, then love in action is the answer.

Love in action is courageous.

Love in action takes risks.

Love in action seeks justice above self-interest.

Love in action recognizes that this fight is YOUR fight.

Love in action will stand up when everyone else sits down.

Love in action listens and hears.

Love in action fearlessly examines self and does better.

Love in action rises. Again. Again.

Love in action is beautifully dangerous.

Love in action bravely chooses hope.

Love in action cannot lose because love in action is committed

And will not give up until it is victorious.

Love in action.

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Love IS action.



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A large, black banner is held up, featuring the text "BLM WE SEE YOU WE WILL FIGHT WITH YOU" in white and blue, hand-painted lettering. The banner is the central focus of the lower half of the image, set against a background of purple and white brushstrokes. A hand is visible at the bottom center, holding the banner.

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**WE SEE YOU**  
**WE WILL FIGHT**  
**WITH YOU**