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## **A 4-year old child explains her experience during a recent peaceful protest and her perception about the effects of coronavirus**

*Linda Gaston-Bessellieu announces the release of 'My Protest'*

CANTON, Ga. – Linda Gaston-Bessellieu’s daughter Tawana and granddaughter Jaliyah recently attended a peaceful protest and thought it would be interesting to share how a preschool age child views the effects of coronavirus, the “Black Lives Matter” protest and what they endured that day.

“My Protest” ([published by Xlibris](#)) is an illustrative book that depicts the Black Lives Matter protest in Sandy Springs, Georgia and the effect of the coronavirus through the eyes of a 4-year-old child. It is meant to help young children better understand the meaning of protesting and being safe with the risks of the virus.

“In the year 2020, the George Floyd incident brought on massive protesting across the world. Today, we are still looking at protesting possibilities and certainly dealing with the dangers of COVID-19,” Gaston-Bessellieu says. “I feel the targeted audience for this book are parents of elementary-age children.”

When asked what she wants readers to take away from this book, Gaston-Bessellieu answers, “The need to ask and listen to how young children perceive major things going on around us in this world. They have feelings and their perception of things should not be ignored. It should be discussed in a way they can understand. It also can help children to better comprehend without fear or leaving it to their own interpretation of serious issues.”

“My Protest”

By Linda Gaston-Bessellieu

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### **About the Author**

Linda Gaston-Bessellieu is a retired teacher. Collectively, she spent 30 years in the New York City and state school systems. During her career, she worked as a disciplinary “Dean of Students” and a health education teacher.

Tawana Bessellieu is the mother of Jaliyah. Tawana is a preschool teacher. Jaliyah is 4 years old. Tawana and Jaliyah recently attended a peaceful protest.

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