KANE, BLACKHAWKS DISCUSS RACIAL UNREST; ‘HOPEFUL’ FOR CHANGE

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The tragic death of George Floyd at the hand of a Minneapolis police officer has sparked outrage and protests across the country for more than three weeks.

It has also lit a fire under several professional athletes, many of whom are finding their voice while also digging into their wallets to support causes they believe in.

One of the more impressive examples came on June 5 when Blackhawks superstar Patrick Kane sent out a series of tweets, saying he wants to “help in this fight for change.” In Kane’s third tweet, he said he’d be making a donation to two organizations: My Block, My Hood, My City and the All Stars Project of Chicago.

During a video conference call last Thursday with reporters, Kane explained why he spoke up and provided financial assistance.

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“On those teams there ends up being a lot of finger pointing and excuse making,” Colliton said. “Hopefully what comes out of this is everyone feels a responsibility to make things better for everyone.”

Colliton said everyone needs to have equal opportunity, “regardless of their back ground or their race. And obviously we’re not there yet.”