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**Harkness Hall Bells Ring At Clark Atlanta University in Recognition of Easter Sunday  
Students and COVID-19 Emergency Responders**

(Clark Atlanta University April 13, 2020) –ATLANTA, GA – Clark Atlanta University rang the bells of the historic Harkness Hall on Easter Sunday in honor of its students, first responders providing health care to those suffering with Coronavirus (COVID-19) and those who have lost their lives to the virus.

The bells rang promptly at noon time. More than 5-thousand viewers including students, alumni, faculty and staff, and members of the CAU community listened to the bells via Facebook Live. In case you missed the event click the link below to listen.

<https://youtu.be/U2V0GEsH6Ck>

Clark Atlanta University President, George T. French Jr., Ph.D., told several members of the media it was most appropriate to ring the bells on Easter Sunday. “Our world, our nation and our Clark Atlanta University community are experiencing an unprecedented crisis in the

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Coronavirus pandemic that we never imagined experiencing. This simple gesture is one way we encourage our students to stay safe, and honor those who continue to work on the frontlines of this crisis.”

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students from around the United States and several foreign countries the opportunity to engage in 38 exciting areas of study at bachelors, masters and doctoral levels. Located in the historic heart of Atlanta, one of the world's great international cities, CAU’s nearly 4,000 students enjoy access to academic and co-curricular experiences, from forensic debate, to on-air broadcasting, to cancer research with world-renowned investigators. From the arts to zoology, CAU combines nearly 300 years of tradition with a solid focus on academic excellence to produce leaders who will shape the future of the global community. To learn more about Clark Atlanta University, visit [www.cau.edu](http://www.cau.edu) .

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