

RESOLUTION 2023-34

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of Ellensburg, Washington declaring the City of Ellensburg to be an inviting, equitable and safe community for all.

WHEREAS, the City believes that the strength and vitality of our community comes from our rich diversity of cultures, experiences and faiths; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes and upholds the rights of individuals to be treated fairly and to live their lives with dignity and respect and free from discrimination or targeting because of their faith, race, national origin, sexual orientation, gender or gender identity, age, ability, ethnicity, housing status, economic status, or other social status; and

WHEREAS, the City strongly condemns any act of harassment, bullying, intimidation, violence, or other acts of hate that are based on faith, race, national origin, sexual orientation, gender or gender identity, age, ability, ethnicity, housing status, economic status, or other social status; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to ensuring that Ellensburg remains a welcoming, inclusive and safe community for all who live, work and visit here; and

WHEREAS, the City will continue to work through the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Commission, in cooperation with our community partners, to ensure our services and programs are accessible and open to all individuals; and

WHEREAS, the City will consult with the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Commission in addressing and responding to community concerns when issues of harm and/or hate occur in our community; and

WHEREAS, as leaders in the community, we have a special responsibility not to stay silent in the face of discrimination, harassment or hate against any of our residents, and we choose to be a leader in protecting human rights, equity, public safety and social well-being;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council of the City of Ellensburg is committed:

- a) to making Ellensburg an inviting, equitable, and safe community for everyone;
- b) to standing together with the people of Ellensburg in opposing hate, violence and acts of intolerance committed against our community members;
- c) to continuing our work to reach out to and connect with all members of our community to ensure that our programs are accessible and open to all individuals.

ADOPTED by the City Council of Ellensburg this 18th day of December, 2023.



Nancy M. Ellingsen

Mayor

Attest:



Betty Sackler

City Clerk