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RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF SUNNYVALE JOINING UNITED AGAINST HATE
WEEK AND PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 14-20, 2021 AS
UNITED AGAINST HATE WEEK**

WHEREAS, the United States is a nation of immigrants, whose strength comes from its diversity; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution enshrines equality on all individuals, regardless of race, gender, orientation, religion, or political views; and

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2017, the Sunnyvale City Council adopted a Statement of Our Values and Public Service stating that we take pride in the incredible diversity of people who form the rich fabric of our city, and embracing our community of many backgrounds and beliefs; and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2021, the Sunnyvale City Council adopted a revised Statement of Our Values and Public Service to explicitly welcome refugees in our community; and

WHEREAS, Sunnyvale is not immune to hate and bigotry and has strongly condemned hate crimes and incidents that have occurred in the City; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2020, the Sunnyvale City Council adopted a resolution denouncing xenophobia and anti-Asian sentiment arising due to fears of the COVID-19 pandemic and affirming its commitment to the well-being and safety of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2021, the Sunnyvale City Council adopted a resolution standing with the AAPI community and calling on all constituents and leaders to join us in condemning racist attacks against AAPI community members, in all forms, and renewing our commitment to speak out against such attacks, defend and protect those targeted, and seek out and punish those who commit hate crimes against AAPI members of our community; and

WHEREAS, the Sunnyvale City Council wishes to reaffirm its commitment to the well-being and safety of all its diverse communities, including Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC); AAPI; Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning Plus (LGBTQ+) and all others; and

WHEREAS, the Sunnyvale City Council wishes to ensure that its BIPOC, AAPI, LGBTQ+, and other diverse communities are not alone and that they can speak out to help stop the spread of bigotry; and

WHEREAS, there has been a recent rise of hate crimes, some notable for their violence and cruelty, hate incidents, and hate speech throughout the United States and the greater San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the recent rise of violence is part of a larger history of violence against marginalized communities, and we must work together to create community-centered solutions that stop the violence in all communities; and

WHEREAS, the Sunnyvale City Council stands with the BIPOC, AAPI, LGBTQ+ and other diverse communities and calls on all constituents and leaders to join us in condemning racist, homophobic, and harassing attacks, in all forms, and renewing our commitment to speak out against such attacks, defend and protect those targeted, and seek out and punish those who commit hate crimes against any members of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE THAT the City Council does hereby acknowledge United Against Hate Week and proclaims the week of November 14-20, 2021 as United Against Hate Week.

Adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on _____, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

RECUSAL:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk
(SEAL)

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney