

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 9277-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
TO SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN TO TAKE ON HATE

Whereas, the City of Garden Grove supports and protects all its citizens no matter their religion and ethnicity;

Whereas, we support the Campaign to TAKE ON HATE and commit to calling out hate and discrimination when we see it and help promote our core American value that no one should be targeted because of their faith and/or ethnicity;

Whereas, public attitudes toward Arabs and Muslims are getting worse;

Whereas, in 2010, 43% had positive attitudes towards Arab Americans, but in 2014 it declined to 32%;

Whereas, there has been a 1600% increase since 9/11 of hate crimes toward Arab and Muslim Americans;

Whereas, violence and hate crimes towards the Muslim and Arab community have increased, creating fearful and unstable communities;

Whereas, TAKE ON HATE calls upon all Americans to address the current acceptability of prejudice toward Arab and Muslim Americans, to stand up against violence, and to TAKE ON HATE;

Whereas, as public servants we have an even greater responsibility to speak out against discrimination, xenophobia and hatred because when the unacceptable becomes the norm in our society, human rights for all are threatened;

Whereas, the Campaign to TAKE ON HATE inspires a positive perception of Arab and Muslim Americans (including Arab and Muslim refugees) and engages our non-Muslim and non-Arab neighbors to help build a greater capacity for understanding communities across the United States; and

Whereas, the Campaign to TAKE ON HATE is a national grassroots movement that promotes positive images of Arab and Muslim Americans. Standing on the side lines while fellow Americans get attacked and vilified is simply wrong and goes against everything our country stands for.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Garden Grove publically endorses the mission of the Campaign to TAKE ON HATE and agrees to protect all of its citizens and families no matter their religion or ethnicity; and that we are proud to stand with all Americans, regardless of their ethnicity or religion, and stand against those who preach hate and incite violence.

Adopted this 28th day of April 2015.

ATTEST:

/s/ BAO NGUYEN
MAYOR

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) SS:
CITY OF GARDEN GROVE)

I, KATHLEEN BAILOR, City Clerk of the City of Garden Grove, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Garden Grove, California, at a meeting held on the 28th day of April 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (5) BEARD, BUI, JONES, PHAN, NGUYEN
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
CITY CLERK