

RESOLUTION 2020-04

RESOLUTION CONDEMNING RACISM

WHEREAS, The City of Smyrna, its Mayor, City Council, Chief of Police, entire Smyrna Police Department and employees city-wide, are deeply saddened by the tragic events that have recently occurred across the country; and

WHEREAS, racism and hate have no place in our city and we are committed to working actively against all forms of racism. We are committed to safeguarding our community against the damages that racism causes and to ensuring that the Constitutional rights of every person who lives, works, and visits our great city are protected; and

WHEREAS, Smyrna citizens gathered peacefully on Sunday, May 31st in opposition to racism in any form, anywhere it exists, reaffirming that people of all races, ethnicities, cultures, and faiths contribute to Smyrna's strength and well-being; and

WHEREAS, your Smyrna Police Department is one of the most diverse departments in the state, employing officers that mirror the diversity of our great community; and

WHEREAS, your Smyrna Police Department has been and will continue to be honest and transparent with internal and external stakeholders and will continue to build on the culture of trust with whom they serve; and

WHEREAS, the City of Smyrna truly appreciates the overwhelming support we receive daily from this great community, and it is our promise to each of you that we will work diligently every day to exceed your expectations in all aspects of city-wide operations, and particularly those of the Smyrna Police Department; and

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THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Smyrna, Georgia stand steadfast with all citizens of Smyrna against racism and reaffirm its commitment to fighting for racial justice and human and civil rights for all.

Read and adopted in the meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Smyrna, Georgia, held on June 1, 2020.

Derek Norton, Mayor

City Seal:

ATTEST:

By: _____
Heather K. Peacon-Corn, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Scott A. Cochran, City Attorney