

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-29

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

Whereas, the City of Bell supports and protects ALL its citizens no matter their faith, ethnic background or sexual orientation;

Whereas, the City of Bell is proud of its diversity and supports a welcoming environment that upholds the values set forth in the U.S. Constitution by protecting all its residents no matter their faith, ethnicity or sexual orientation;

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, negative attitudes towards African Americans, Latinos, Arabs, refugees, immigrants and people of Muslim faith as well as other communities of color, have increased, creating fearful and unstable communities;

Whereas, violence and hate crimes towards the Muslim and Arab community have increased, creating fearful and unstable communities, thus the City of Bell will have zero tolerance for hate crimes in our communities;

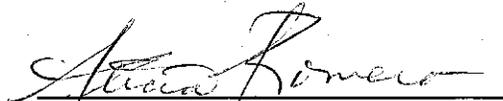
Whereas, as public servants we have an even greater responsibility to speak out against discrimination, xenophobia and hatred because when the unacceptable becomes the norm in our society, human rights for all are threatened;

Whereas, the Campaign to TAKE ON HATE inspires a positive perception of ALL Americans, but primarily Arab and Muslim Americans and engages our neighbors to help build a greater capacity for understanding communities across the United States; and

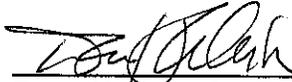
Whereas, the Campaign to TAKE ON HATE is a national grassroots movement that promotes positive images of Arab and Muslim Americans. Standing on the side lines while fellow Americans get attacked and vilified is simply wrong and goes against everything our country stands for.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Bell 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.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 25th day of May, 2016


Alicia Romero, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Dave Aleshire, City Attorney

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTATION AND ORIGINALITY

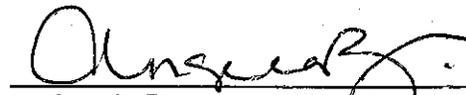
I, Angela Bustamante, Interim City Clerk of the City of Bell, hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Bell City Council at its regular meeting held on the 25th day of May 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Quintana, Saleh, Valencia, Vice Mayor Gallardo and Mayor Romero

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



Angela Bustamante, Interim City Clerk