



City Council

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PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States confers equality on all individuals, regardless of race, gender, orientation, religion, or political beliefs; and

WHEREAS, recent [SN1] rhetoric has generated a toxic environment that encourages the propagation of racist, xenophobic, anti-Semitic, sexist, homophobic, Islamophobic, and other negative views by emboldened hate groups and individuals; and

WHEREAS, deep divisions within our country are the result of extreme ideology, further strengthening a cycle of mistrust and suspicion fueled by fear, anxiety, and insecurity; and

WHEREAS, the number of hate crimes across the United States has increased dramatically over the past couple of years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lafayette City Council reaffirmed their commitment to being a welcoming, inclusive, tolerant, and safe community for all with Resolution 2020-41; and

WHEREAS, education, compassion, and cooperation are key to unlocking understanding and embracing differences between people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lafayette joins other communities around the state in recognizing United Against Hate Week as an important step in bridging divisions as well as strengthening our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lafayette, CA does hereby proclaim November 12-18, 2023 as “United Against Hate Week” and recognizes that it is an important step in bridging divisions and healing communities.

Carl Anduri, Mayor