



The City of Minneapolis

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

**By Reich, Gordon, Frey, B. Johnson, Yang, Warsame,
Goodman, Glidden, Cano, Bender, Quincy, A. Johnson, and Palmisano**

Affirming the City of Minneapolis’ commitment to protecting all citizens from attempts to create a national registry or surveillance based on ethnicity, national origin, or religious affiliation.

WHEREAS, the City of Minneapolis is strengthened and enriched by the diversity of our residents; and

WHEREAS, we intend that our city be a welcoming and safe place for people of all ethnicities, national origins, immigration status, gender and sexual identities, religious or non-religious affiliations, ages, economic status, and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Minneapolis seeks to secure for all citizens equal protection under the law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Minneapolis is committed to protecting and maintaining a safe and secure environment that enhances the quality of life for everyone in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Minneapolis adopted a resolution “Standing with All Members of Our One Minneapolis” on November 18, 2016 that, in pertinent part, committed to “pursuing a policy agenda that affirms civil and human rights, and ensures that those targeted on the basis of race, religion or immigration status can turn to government without fear of recrimination;” and

WHEREAS, the City of Minneapolis has clearly codified in ordinance that the “city works cooperatively with the [United States Department of] Homeland Security, as it does with all state and federal agencies, but the city does not operate its programs for the purpose of enforcing federal immigration laws;” and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Minneapolis affirm their commitment to the equal protection of all members of our community from attempts to create a national registry or surveillance program based on ethnicity, national origin, or religious affiliation.

Passed, December 9, 2016

Barbara Johnson, President of the Council

Approved:

Betsy Hodges, Mayor

Attest:

Casey Carl, City Clerk