



COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 5190

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF EUGENE'S
OPPOSITION TO ANTI-SEMITIC HATE AND BIAS
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PASSED: 7:0

REJECTED:

OPPOSED:

ABSENT: Ward 4 seat vacant

CONSIDERED: April 24, 2017



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The City Council of the City of Eugene finds that:

A. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Eugene, are profoundly disturbed by the alarming hate crimes that have occurred in the community. Eugene is a community grounded in respect and enriched by a community of access, equity and inclusion for all people.

B. The City Council is in solidarity with Jewish community members who have been deeply impacted by anti-Semitic hate and bias crimes. We recognize that when any community is targeted by hate, we are all impacted and reminded of the need to boldly oppose hate and bigotry.

C. In alignment with City Council's goal of creating a safe and welcoming community, we declare our strong opposition to hate crimes and incidents of anti-Semitism, and affirm that such behavior is not welcome in our community. These hateful acts are inconsistent with our values and we will continue to proactively address hate and bias.

D. Acknowledging that Eugene's Jewish Community has been victimized by two violent incidents in 1994 and 2002 targeting Temple Beth Israel.

E. The City of Eugene has a long standing history and commitment of supporting communities experiencing hate, bias and discrimination and the City Council has adopted Ordinances and Resolutions that demonstrate this commitment, including:

1. Human Rights Municipal Code provisions, EC 4.613 - 4.655 (adopted in 1971, with the most recent amendment adopted in 2014 which made it unlawful to discriminate based on gender (Ord. 20523)).
2. Resolution 5073 (adopted 2012) in Support of a Statement of Principles for Immigrant Integration.
3. Resolution 5142 (adopted in 2015) Declaring the Urgency of the Housing and Homelessness Crisis.
4. Resolution 5148 (adopted in 2016) Declaring the Second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples' Day.
5. Resolution 5150 (adopted in 2016) Supporting the Oregon Convention on Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women.

6. Resolution 5154 (adopted in 2016) Declaring the City of Eugene's Commitment in Protecting Refugees.
7. Resolution 5174 (adopted in 2016) Declaring the City of Eugene's Commitment to Being a Welcoming, Inclusive and Safe Community for Everyone.
8. Council Ordinance No. 20579 (adopted 2017) Concerning Protections for Individuals and Adding Sections 2.495 and 2.497 to the Eugene Code, 1971.

E. The City Council believes in, and is committed to, continuing its work to build a community that is welcoming, inclusive, just and safe for everyone. Hate crimes and incidents of prejudice remind us that we must never become complacent about the existence of anti-Semitism, bigotry or hate in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EUGENE, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council is committed to making Eugene a welcoming, inclusive, and safe community for everyone.

Section 2. The City Council is committed to standing together with the people of Eugene in opposing hate and bias activities and acts of intolerance committed against the Jewish community.

Section 3. The City Council directs the City Manager to continue applying the protocols and priorities conveyed in the City of Eugene's Hate and Bias Incident Response Plan; continue providing mechanisms that the community can use to report incidents of hate and bias; continue building upon partnerships with community organizations and local agencies to respond to incidents of hate and bias; and continue collecting incident report data for inclusion in the City of Eugene's annual Hate and Bias Report. The Human Rights and Neighborhood Involvement Office in collaboration with the Eugene Police Department, neighborhood organizations and community partners should be proactive in building safe and welcoming neighborhoods and continue to build neighborhood specific responses to hate and bias activity at the neighborhood level.

Section 4. This Resolution is effective immediately upon its passage by the City Council.

The foregoing Resolution adopted the 24th day of April, 2017.



City Recorder