

CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL RESOLUTION

June 26, 2019

No. 19-23

Proclamation

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JULY 6TH AS RESTORATION DAY AND JULY 7TH AS UNITY DAYS

WHEREAS, Philando Castile was a valued and loved member of his family and community; and

WHEREAS, Philando Castile was a young man with a full life ahead of him; and

WHEREAS, Philando Castile was killed in Falcon Heights on July 6, 2016; and

WHEREAS, that as members of this society, we each carry the responsibility to positively work to eliminate injustices in today's world and the legacies of past injustices; and

WHEREAS, there remains work to be done to strengthen trust in Falcon Heights and the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, there will not be peace without the pursuit of justice; and

WHEREAS, segregation of our communities across color is one of the greatest obstacles to becoming a unified community in this nation; and

WHEREAS, Philando Castile will not be forgotten, that from this day forward, July 6 will be observed as restorative, a day to remember how important it is that each of us cross traditional "borders" between communities, a day to meet someone and get to know someone different than us. A day to listen to someone's story that is different from our own. A day to take steps of humility and forgiveness in efforts to restore connectedness. A day to build a broader and stronger community in service to those too long suffering and in service to a stronger nation and thus be called Restoration Day; and

WHEREAS, the work of restoration has begun, may it be that from this day forward, July 7th will be observed as an opportunity to express unity, and thus be called Unity Day; and


WHEREAS, let us be the ones to take the opportunity to move forward becoming one individual nation, with life, liberty and justice for all peoples.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

Falcon Heights, Minnesota that this Council proclaim July 6th as Restoration Day and July 7th as Unity Day.

Moved by: Gustafson

Approved by:



Randall Gustafson
Mayor

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