## CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS COUNCIL RESOLUTION

May 27, 2020

No. 20-24

## A RESOLUTION DENOUNCING HATE SPEECH-ACTS

WHEREAS, the guiding principle of Falcon Heights as outlined by the 2040 Comprehensive Plan and the city's 2019 Strategic Plan is to cultivate a caring community; and

WHEREAS, Falcon Heights prides itself on its increasingly diverse population; and

WHEREAS, A significant proportion of Falcon Heights residents were born outside of the US; and

WHEREAS, the incidence of hate motivated speech and crime has increased over the last few years; and

WHEREAS, valuable members of our community, including women, racial minorities, people with disabilities, and religious observers are the target of most hate crimes; and

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the city to protect all of its residents against hateful actions and speech;

WHEREAS, we, the city of Falcon Heights upholds the community centered philosophy and practice of our current policing agency, the Ramsey County Sheriff's Department, and are committed to the longevity of this community centered practice and philosophy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Falcon Heights hereby:

1. Affirm its commitment to denouncing all hate motivated actions and speech.

2. Reaffirm its commitment to fostering a safe and welcoming community for all of its residents and visitors.

3. Continue to foster and value "Cultivating a Caring Community".

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Mayor

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