

RESOLUTION NO. 20-128

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALY CITY
SUPPORTING THE BLACK LIVES MATTER MOVEMENT AND REAFFIRMING
THE CITY OF DALY CITY'S COMMITMENT TO RACIAL EQUITY

WHEREAS, recent national events involving police brutality and misconduct have shed light on the deeper issue of systemic racism, which has plagued America for centuries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Daly City acknowledges that Black Lives Matter; and

WHEREAS, the death of George Floyd at the hands of the Minneapolis Police Department, captured in a horrifying video image, has spurred grief and outrage across the nation and here in the City of Daly City; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Floyd's death is a painful reminder of countless other instances of police and societal violence against Black Americans, both recent and throughout the history of our country; and

WHEREAS, the deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, Ahmaud Arbery, Oscar Grant, Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, Tamir Rice, Sandra Bland, and Eric Garner represent just a few of the black lives that were taken as a result of racial discrimination; and

WHEREAS, we as a nation have come together to mourn the loss of George Floyd and the countless other Black Lives, and honor his memory through advocacy, activism, and protests across the country with groups such as Black Lives Matter demanding action to be taken to end this violence; and

WHEREAS, systemic racism results in disparate outcomes for black, indigenous, and people of color, not just in criminal justice, but also in the areas of health care, education, housing, economic opportunity, and environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, a most basic form of injustice and inequity occurs when a group of people's safety and well-being are placed into jeopardy by the very institutions entrusted with protecting and serving them; and

WHEREAS, cities must take the lead to ensure that black, indigenous, and other communities of color are safe, valued, and equal members of society; and

WHEREAS, the City of Daly City has long celebrated its diversity, and established as one of its top goals a commitment to promoting a Community for All with a focus on strategies to protect vulnerable populations and preserve socioeconomic and cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Daly City stands in solidarity with its black residents and communities of color and is committed to the principle that all Black Lives Matter; and

WHEREAS, the City of Daly City is committed to the health, safety and equitable treatment of City residents, and strive to bolster the overall wellbeing of the City by fostering the rights of people of color who have been historically disadvantaged by structural racism; and

WHEREAS, the City of Daly City stands in solidarity with the hundreds of City residents who have exercised their right to protest against racism, inequality, and police brutality; and

WHEREAS, we hold ourselves, our institutions and our government to the highest possible standards of equity and justice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Daly City that it does hereby declare its support of the Black Lives Matter movement and will work to continue to address the root causes of racial inequity in our community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Daly City that the City of Daly City does not tolerate discrimination, racial injustice, or police brutality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Daly City works proactively to create a welcoming, safe, and inclusive community; promotes equitable protection of constitutional and human rights in the City; acknowledges the history of institutional racism that exists in America; and commits to move forward with efforts that shall include reviewing policing policies to meet community needs and achieve better outcomes, and engaging in dialogue with residents to hear their concerns and ideas and continuously earn public trust; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Daly City invites and encourages the community to work together through peaceful exchange and meaningful dialogue to enact change and move forward to achieve a just, equitable, and inclusive Community for All.


I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of Daly City, California, at a special meeting thereof held on the 22nd day of July, 2020, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES, and in favor thereof, Councilmembers: Buenaventura, Daus-Magbual

Manalo, Sylvester

NOES, Councilmembers: None

Absent, Councilmembers: DiGiovanni


CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF DALY CITY

APPROVED:

GLENN R. SYLVESTER
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DALY CITY