

CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
RESOLUTION NO.
SERIES 2015

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF
HUMAN RIGHTS AS GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND
DECLARING THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW TO BE A HUMAN RIGHTS CITY

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain View (City) takes great pride in the diversity of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City promotes citizen engagement, ethics, and the dignity of all; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to the fostering of mutual understanding, and promoting respect, inclusiveness, and involvement; and

WHEREAS, the City aspires to be a global leader among cities in advancing human rights and human dignity; and

WHEREAS, the Human Relations Commission of the City of Mountain View has petitioned the City Council to adopt the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, promulgated by the United Nations General Assembly on December 10, 1948, and signed and agreed to by all countries, including the United States, and December 10 will be recognized as Human Rights Day in Mountain View; and

WHEREAS, the principles set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights will guide the spirit of the laws, practices, and policies carried out with and on behalf of the residents of Mountain View; and

WHEREAS, a Human Rights City is one whose residents and local authorities, through regular discussions and creative exchanges of ideas, come to understand that human rights, when widely known as a way of life, assist in identifying the issues and informs the actions in our community for meaningful social change; and

WHEREAS, developing a Human Rights City builds infrastructure for conflict prevention, human security, sustainable development, active civic engagement, and transparent government;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mountain View that the City Council hereby adopts the Universal Declaration of Human Rights as guiding principles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Mountain View declares itself a Human Rights City, explicitly embracing the principles of equality, inclusion, respect, involvement, and the recognition of human dignity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council that the Mountain View City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to send copies of this resolution to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and to the national and international offices of the Peoples Decade for Human Rights Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be posted on the City's website.

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