

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, STRONGLY
CONDEMNING ANTI-SEMITISM, ISLAMOPHOBIA,
HOMOPHOBIA, TRANSPHOBIA, RACISM, DISCRIMINATION
AGAINST ASIAN-AMERICANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AND
ALL OTHER FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION.**

WHEREAS, the Anti-Defamation League, a non-profit tracking anti-Semitism, has received nearly 200 reports of possible anti-Semitic incidents, up from 131 the week before the deadly fighting escalated in the Gaza Strip between Israel and militant group Hamas; and

WHEREAS, mosques in the United States have reported damage in recent days, as well – on May 13, a mosque was vandalized in Brooklyn, New York, with anti-Palestinian graffiti during one of the holiest days in the Muslim faith; and

WHEREAS, according to the Human Rights Campaign, at least 11 transgender people have been murdered so far in 2021 — a 266 percent increase from this point in 2020; and

WHEREAS, since January 2020, there has been a dramatic increase in reports of hate crimes and incidents against those of Asian descent in all 50 States and the District of Columbia, largely due to the perpetuated anti-Asian stigma that arose in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the rise of violence and discrimination aimed at people of different religions, gender identities, races, and ethnicities is extremely troubling, and must be condemned; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach remains steadfast in its commitment to fight antisemitism, homophobia, transphobia, racism, discrimination against Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders, and all other forms of discrimination with every ounce of energy and tools at its disposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby strongly condemn anti-semitism, islamophobia, homophobia, transphobia, racism, discrimination against Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders, and all other forms of discrimination.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2021.

Attest:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner David Richardson)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney *FA*

5-25-21

Date