

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 146

Approved April 6, 2021

WHEREAS, The City of Providence is a city that values diversity, equity, and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, The City of Providence is comprised of a myriad of racial, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, 2021 has seen multiple attacks against the Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) including that of eight AAPI people, mostly women, who were heinously and atrociously murdered in the metro Atlanta area; and

WHEREAS, Our hearts go out to the families of Soon C. Park, 74, Hyun Jung Grant, 51, Suncha Kim, 69, Yong A. Yue, 63, Delaina Ashley Yaun, 33, Paul Andre Michels, 54, Xiaojie Tan, 49, Daoyou Feng, 44; and

WHEREAS, Crimes and reports of harassment against AAPI communities have increased nationwide over the last year; and

WHEREAS, Harassment, bigotry, racism, and unconscionable anti-Asian violence which has been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, We must confront these issues head-on and realize that no city, including Providence, is immune to this kind of violence due to entrenched biases and racism that still exist in our society; and

WHEREAS, Anti-AAPI xenophobia and racism related to the COVID-19 pandemic has put many Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders people, their families, and communities at risk; and

WHEREAS, We cannot be silent in the face of hatred and xenophobia.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council stands in solidarity with Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community and condemns Asian hate and discrimination as well as the violent acts that occurred in metro Atlanta.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council and City of Providence condemns and denounces hateful messages and attacks against people of all races and ethnicities and stand united in combating all forms of intolerance, bigotry, xenophobia, discrimination, and hate.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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Mayor

Date: 4/6/21