CITY OF FAIRFIELD

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-78

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD DENOUNCING HATE CRIMES AND VIOLENCE AGAINST ALL PERSONS AND REAFFIRMING THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD'S COMMITMENT TO ENSURE ALL MEMBERS OF THE FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY FEEL SAFE AND WELCOME IN THE CITY

WHEREAS, the City of Fairfield is committed to inclusion and advancement of diversity and equity for people of all races, ethnicities, religions, national origins, backgrounds, gender, and sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairfield is a very diverse City that wishes to ensure that everyone is welcomed within its boundaries, and that the City will protect and preserve the rights, freedoms, safety, and security of all individuals; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, propaganda distribution of racist, anti-Semitic, and other hateful messages reached the highest level since the Anti-Defamation League began tracking such data, and nearly doubled the number reported in 2019; and

WHEREAS, in the last two years, the FBI has reported a significant increase in hate crimes directed at Blacks, Latinos and Muslim Americans; and

WHEREAS, at its April 6, 2021, meeting, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-60 which denounced the serious rise of hate crimes and violence directed against Asian-Americans during the Covid pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to more broadly condemn hate crimes and violence suffered by people of all races, ethnicities, religions, national origins, background, gender, and sexual orientation, and to encourage all Fairfield residents to be treated with respect and dignity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairfield stands united with its residents in combating intolerance, discrimination and hate.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. That the City of Fairfield will not tolerate hatred and condemns the rise in hate crimes, attacks, and attitudes against individuals based on their race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, background, gender, and sexual orientation.

Section 2. That the City of Fairfield urges its residents to join in calling attention to and condemning this unacceptable conduct in order to help keep our community safe and welcoming.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20 th day of April, 2021, by the following vote:		
AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	PRICE / BERTANI / MOY / PANDURO / TIMM / TONNESEN / VACCARO
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	·
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	
		MAYOR
ATTEST:		

CITY CLERK