



Legislation Text

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Racism - Discrimination and Intolerance - For the purpose of joining the Caucus of African American Leaders in condemning all acts of racism and the many forms of discrimination and intolerance that have deprived people of their human rights.

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE
City of Annapolis**

Resolution 12-22

Introduced by: Alderwoman Finlayson

**Co-sponsored by: Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O’Neill,
Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Mayor Buckley
Alderman Arnett, Alderman Savidge, Alderman Gay**

A RESOLUTION concerning

Racism - Discrimination and Intolerance

FOR the purpose of joining the Caucus of African American Leaders in condemning all acts of racism and the many forms of discrimination and intolerance that have deprived people of their human rights.

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence provides, in part, “that all men [and women] are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness...”; and

WHEREAS, the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution provides, in part, “...nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws”; and

WHEREAS, after 245 years of independence and more than 150 years after the adoption of the Fourteenth Amendment, the goal of equality has yet to be fully realized; and

WHEREAS, the Annapolis City Council supports the goals of racial equality; and

WHEREAS, residents of the City of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County have formed the Caucus of African American Leaders, a consortium of leaders that includes civil rights groups, elected officials, clergy, youth, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Caucus of African American Leaders was formed for the purpose of eradicating racism, which was demonstrated through lynchings, racial discrimination, and bigotry for over a

century; and

WHEREAS, the Annapolis City Council wishes to recognize and support the efforts of its citizens to eradicate racism and all forms of bigotry, including, but not limited to, antisemitism and Islamophobia.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the City of Annapolis joins the Caucus of African American leaders in condemning all acts of racism and the many forms of discrimination and intolerance that have deprived people of their human rights.

EXPLANATION

Underlining indicates matter added.
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