

## RESOLUTION NO. 1358 (2017)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOTHELL,  
WASHINGTON REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO BE A SAFE,  
WELCOMING, AND EQUITABLE COMMUNITY FOR ALL.

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WHEREAS, the City of Bothell is a city with great diversity including but not limited to race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, age, sexual orientation, gender identification, country of origin, veteran status, and disability; and

WHEREAS, in Bothell, all members of the community who choose to live here peacefully have the right to be treated fairly and to live their lives with dignity, free from discrimination or targeting for any reason; and

WHEREAS, the best way to engage all members of our community with local government is through creating trusting relationships built upon mutual respect and understanding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bothell understands that a healthy city is one in which all members of the community have an equity-based opportunity to access city services, participate in the public process, and feel safe and welcome in their community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bothell is committed to being pro-equality in city practices and governance through our actions, processes and decisions; and

WHEREAS, in the City of Bothell, elected officials have a duty to serve all members of our community and protect their basic human rights, ensure their safety, and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, The Bothell Police Department's longstanding policy on Foreign Nationals delineates the role of federal and local governments in determining immigration status; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Bothell strongly condemns acts of hate, violence, intimidation, harassment or any similar acts that are directed at any member of our community

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOTHELL, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council is committed to making the City of Bothell a safe, welcoming, and equitable community for everyone who lives, works, plays, does business in, goes to school in, or visits our City.

Section 2. The City Council is committed to standing together with the people of Bothell in opposing hate, violence, and acts of intolerance committed against our community members.

Section 3. The City Council is committed to continuing our pro-equality work, reaching out and connecting with our community members to ensure that our programs are accessible and open to all individuals.

PASSED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

APPROVED:



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ANDREW J. RHEAUME  
MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



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LAURA HATHAWAY  
CITY CLERK

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