

## City of Newark

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Acceptance in Combating Intolerance, Negative Stereotypes and Discrimination Against Persons

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**Additional Information:** 

**WHEREAS,** the Municipal Council of the City of Newark affirms upholding the principles of diversity, inclusivity, and mutual respect to create a community that values its diverse cultures, religions, and citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** this Country was founded on the principles of religious freedom and democracy, safeguarded by the U.S. Constitution that allows for any American to manifest their beliefs in public or private; and

**WHEREAS,** there has been a rash of attacks on said fundamental freedoms, throughout the Country and the State of New Jersey, which has eroded the central pillar of religious liberties; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Newark has a proud history of promoting the importance of religious diversity, and an individual's civil rights should not be violated based on his or her particular religion; and

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark will continue to protect and defend against religious oppression, and we condemn any attempt at infringing on religious liberties; and

**WHEREAS,** the right to freedom of religion applies to all Americans; and the City of Newark will not tolerate this rising tide of religious persecution.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

- 1. The Municipal Council declares the City of Newark to be a safe haven for religious freedom and expression, and for those seeking refuge from religious persecution.
- 2. The Municipal Council does not condone any attempt to infringe on the ability of individuals to express their religious beliefs openly and freely.

### **STATEMENT**

This resolution proclaims that the Municipal Council supports the ability of individuals to express their religious beliefs openly and freely; that the City of Newark is a safe haven for religious freedom and expression, and for those seeking refuge from religious persecution, and affirms freedom of religion acceptance in combating intolerance, negative stereotypes and discrimination against persons based on religion or belief.