

Resolution: 2011-004 – Safe and Respectful Communities

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Whereas recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equitable treatment of all Utahns is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in our State,

Whereas our common values proclaim that we all shall enjoy freedom of speech and belief and freedom from fear, this has been deemed a core and shared aspiration of all Utahns,

Whereas disregard and contempt for human dignity and safety have resulted in violent acts which have outraged the conscience of our communities and struck fear in the hearts of individuals,

Whereas it is essential to promote the development of civil and respectful relations between community members,

Whereas the League of Cities and Towns of Utah have reaffirmed the value of every person and in the creation and maintenance of safe communities where no resident is subjected to violence or bias based on their real or perceived personal characteristics,

Whereas a common understanding of these commitments to the safety, respect and dignity of all Utahns is of greatest importance to the Utah League of Cities and Towns,

Now, Therefore be it resolved that THE LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS puts forth this Resolution in support of safe and respectful communities as a common standard of behavior for all people, to the end that every individual and every community in Utah, keeping this Resolution constantly in mind, shall strive to promote respect and safety for all residents of our cities and towns, and shall prevent acts of violence against any member of our communities.

1. Everyone has the right freely to participate in the life of the community, free from fear of violence and actual acts of violence
2. Acts of violence are not acceptable and will not be tolerated by the community, the government and the legal system.
3. Communities are committed to providing every resident the opportunity to live a full and engaged life without fear of violence.