

RESOLUTION #

RESOLUTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION AND INTIMIDATION

WHEREAS, Buncombe County takes great pride in being a welcoming and diverse community where all citizens can live and work without fear of physical violence, threats or intimidation; and

WHEREAS, Buncombe County believes that promoting diversity and inclusion in public policy benefits our community and its citizens in positive ways while the opposite puts the County and its citizens at risk;

WHEREAS, Buncombe County is committed to treating every citizen equally and without regard to race, color, religion, ethnicity, national origin, place of birth, ancestry, native language or accent, citizenship, immigrant status, gender, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, familial status, physical or mental disability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That this Board is dedicated to ensuring that Buncombe County remains a welcoming and diverse community where everyone is treated equally and with respect, and to that end states that:
 - Hate crimes, threats or intimidation of any kind or manner will not be tolerated; and
 - Every citizen of this great County is called upon to demonstrate that intolerance and hatred will not be accepted within our community; and
 - Anyone who feels that they are being or have been discriminated against, harassed or intimidated or have witnessed such acts, should make note of any information that may be helpful in identifying the perpetrator(s) of the discriminatory actions and contact the appropriate law enforcement official.
2. That this resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this the 6th day of December, 2016.

ATTEST

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

KATHY HUGHES, CLERK

BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM

COUNTY ATTORNEY