



# RESOLUTION

## OPPOSITION TO AND CONDEMNATION OF RACIST AND DIVISIVE GRAFFITI AND VANDALISM IN OUR COMMUNITY

**WHEREAS**, it has recently been discovered that there were several acts of vandalism in Muskegon County that reflected a racist and divisive message contrary to the values of our community and our neighbors; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Muskegon Heights City Council and staff are united in the strongest terms against racism, bigotry, xenophobia, and any hurtful speech or action which divides our society; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Muskegon and Muskegon Public Schools have successfully and admirably stood up to these unfortunate and inappropriate displays of ignorance and injustice through public statements and direct action to remove and amend cases of vandalism; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Muskegon Heights wishes to partner with every neighboring city, village, township, county, agency, and individual to further the mission to establish one unified community in our region; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the duly elected City Council of the City of Muskegon Heights strongly opposes any and all expressions of hateful or racist rhetoric, action, or sentiment anywhere, and promotes unity, understanding, and tolerance for all of those who live in our wonderful and diverse community.

Yays: All

Nays: None

  
Sharon Gibbs, City Clerk

9-28-17  
Date