



CITY OF
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION by the City Council of Bainbridge Island, Washington condemning hate, racism and intolerance against Asians and Pacific Islanders.

WHEREAS, Bainbridge Island has a long and rich history of people of Asian ethnicity as vital members of its community, acknowledged and brought to life by events such as the Indipino Festival and the Mochi Tsuki Festival; and

WHEREAS, racism and violence against Asians and Pacific Islanders is deeply ingrained in American history, inflamed by labor pressures, international conflicts, and economic issues, which has resulted in racist government actions; including the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882, the first and only major federal legislation to single out a nationality, prohibiting Chinese laborers from entering the country, and Executive Order 9066, which in 1942 sent 225 men, women and children of Japanese ancestry from Bainbridge Island to a concentration camp; and

WHEREAS, these and other Government actions devastated communities, and helped form the putrescent ideology that has led to racist actions mushrooming across the country during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, a 2020-2021 National Report released by Stop AAPI Hate revealed that there have been at least 3,795 hate incidents targeting the Asian and Pacific Islander community, including assaults, slashings, and death; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2021, eight people were killed in shootings in three Atlanta-area spas, six of whom were Asian women; and

WHEREAS, this violence and aggression is leaving a traumatic impact on Asians and Pacific Islanders in the country, that it is critical to acknowledge and condemn it; and

WHEREAS, on his sixth day in office, President Joseph R. Biden issued an Executive Memorandum committing the Federal Government to Condemn and Combat Racism, Xenophobia, and Intolerance Against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BAINBRIDGE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL:

- (1) Condemns hate, racism and intolerance against Asians and Pacific Islanders, and
- (2) affirms its commitment and resolve to make Bainbridge Island a safe and equitable place for all.




Rasham Nassar
Mayor & Councilmember

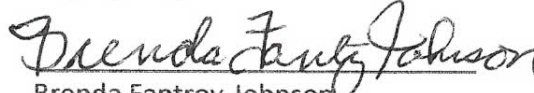
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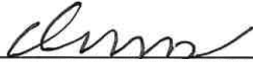
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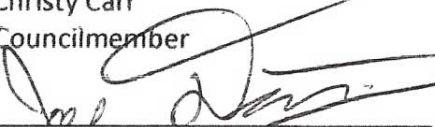
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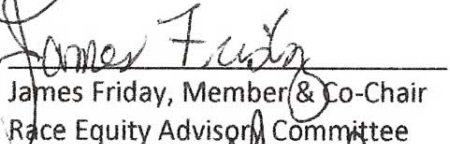


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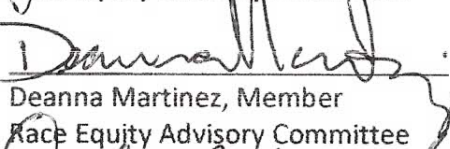
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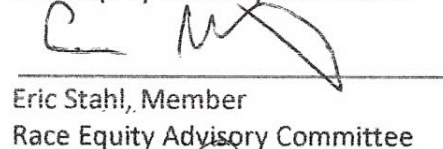
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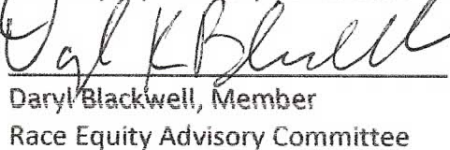
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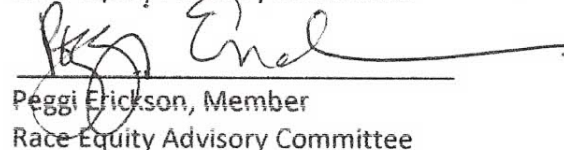
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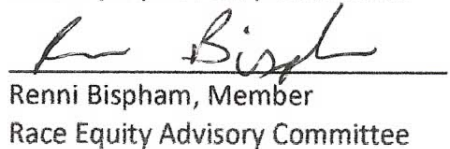
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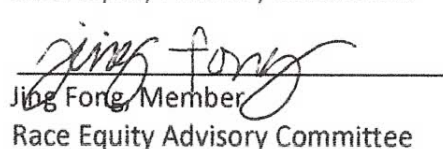
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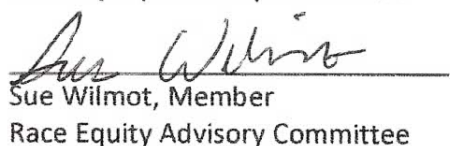
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