

Monday, June 14, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 88 – 21

Offered by Councilor **MANS** Seconded by Councilor

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING GLEN RIDGE'S COMMITMENT TO EQUAL, RESPECTFUL AND DIGNIFIED TREATMENT OF ALL PEOPLE, AND TO BE AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Ridge is an inclusive community that welcomes diversity and believes in the safety, prosperity, equality, and aspirations for all who live or work in or visit our Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough recognizes the inalienable rights of all people and actively supports an end to all forms of prejudice and discrimination based upon race, ethnicity, country of origin, religion, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, or veteran status; and

WHEREAS, we affirm that the Borough must be a place that respects our differences and believes that diverse perspectives enhance the cultural fabric and overall welfare of our community for current and future generations; **and**,

WHEREAS, we pledge to stand against hate and discrimination in all forms; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough and residents of Glen Ridge are committed to fostering an inclusive community through meaningful action and support, including promoting and fostering welcoming and affirming spaces in our Borough; **and**,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, that:

FIRST: No department, employee or official of the Borough of Glen Ridge shall condition the provision of Borough services or benefits on matters related to race, ethnicity, country of origin, religion, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, or veteran status.

SECOND: We urge all the residents of Glen Ridge and beyond to promote diversity and inclusion and create welcoming and affirming spaces for all.

THIRD: Recognize, honor and support a diverse and inclusive community where people are free to be true to themselves.

FOURTH: Within seven (7) days after passage of this Resolution, the Borough Administrator shall disseminate this Resolution to all Borough employees and officials.