

## Resolution in support of Black Lives Matter

**WHEREAS**, time and time again, unarmed Black Americans are extra-judicially murdered by errant police officers in every corner of our country; and

**WHEREAS**, for far too long, White Americans have ignored or dismissed pleas from our fellow Black Americans—friends, neighbors, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the targeting and murder of innocent Black Americans has worsened under the corrupt and violent influence of those who currently control our federal government; and

**WHEREAS**, patriotic citizens across our country are calling for justice for all and reform of a corrupt police system; and

**WHEREAS**, condoning racism in society is in itself a racist act;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 1<sup>st</sup> District Democrats fully supports Black Lives Matter, standing against all forms of racism, and against injustice; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the 1<sup>st</sup> District Democrats call upon our state and federal legislators to demand and implement police reform measures; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the 1<sup>st</sup> District Democrats call upon the WA state Board of Education, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and individual school districts to implement curricula that teach children, as part of becoming a responsible citizen, to understand the nature of bias (racial, gender, etc.), how to recognize bias in themselves and others, and how to avoid acting on a bias when dealing with others - i.e how to be fair; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution will be sent to the 1<sup>st</sup> Legislative District's Legislators, the Governor, and King and Snohomish County Councils.'; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Snohomish County Democrats, King County Democrats, and WA State Democrats Central Committee for Consideration at their next meeting.

Submitted by Tyler Kelson, June 2, 2020.

Recommended DO PASS by the 1st LD Democrats Issues Committee.