

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 1st District Democrats fully supports Black Lives Matter, standing against all forms of racism, and against injustice; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 1st 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 1st 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.