

Town of Somerset
Resolution Denouncing Anti-Asian American and Pacific Islander Hate

Resolution No.: 4-21-1
Introduced: April 5, 2021
Adopted: April 5, 2021
Effective Date: April 5, 2021

WHEREAS, The Town of Somerset is collectively heartbroken by the senseless shootings of eight people, including six women of Asian descent, in Georgia on March 16, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this is just the latest in a rise in hate crimes, bias incidents, and hateful speech directed at our Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) family, friends, and neighbors, as documented on <https://stopaapihate.org/> ; and

WHEREAS, violence and discrimination targeting the AAPI community predated the current pandemic and have persisted since the 19th century; and

WHEREAS, there are barriers that prevent our neighbors with marginalized identities from fully participating in our local institutions and realizing health and happiness, and our community is less beautiful, less whole, less just than it could be because of their absence; and

WHEREAS, racism and other forms of discrimination are real and as a community we have to work together to promote equity; and

WHEREAS, individually and collectively, we all play a role in how welcoming our community is to our residents, neighbors, visitors, and workers; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution was considered in open session on the 5th day of April, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED that the Somerset Town Council denounces anti-AAPI hate, and all manifestations of racism and discrimination; encourages all members of the community to reach out in support of colleagues, friends and neighbors who may be hurting in the wake of acts of hate and violence; and affirms our continuing commitment to promoting harmonious relationships across differences, equity and inclusion in our Town and in our broader community; and

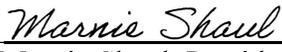
RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption and shall be filed by the Clerk-Treasurer and kept available for public inspection.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF SOMERSET



Matt Trollinger, Manager/Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Somerset



Marnie Shaul, President
Town of Somerset

Approved:



Jeffrey Slavin, Mayor
Town of Somerset

Date: 4/5/2021