



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A Resolution condemning violence and hatred toward Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders.

WHEREAS, following the spread of COVID-19 in 2020, there has been a dramatic increase in hate crimes and violence against Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI); and

WHEREAS, according to the Stop AAPI Hate organization, 3,795 AAPI hate incidents were reported from March 19, 2020 to February 28, 2021; and

WHEREAS, more than one-third of AAPI businesses have been the targets of discrimination incidents during this time period, and it is estimated that more than 30 percent of Asian-Americans have been personally subjected to discrimination; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2021, eight people, including six women of Asian descent, were shot and killed at three Atlanta-area spas, and other man was wounded; and

WHEREAS, Asian-American and Pacific Islanders have made significant contributions to American culture, own over 2,000,000 businesses in the United States, and are an essential thread in the diverse fabric of life in America and in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Metropolitan Council show its support for Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders, and strongly condemn all acts of violence and discrimination on the basis of race and ethnicity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Metropolitan County Council hereby goes on record as condemning violence and hatred toward Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders.

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County.