

RESOLUTION No. 37119

Declare City Council support for the overturn of the "Religious Freedom Restoration" act, and temporarily suspend city travel by a public employee to the State of Indiana until the act is overturned (Resolution)

WHEREAS, at a time when cities, through inclusion and innovation, are leading the way on so many issues, it's disheartening and frustrating to see one pushed backward; and

WHEREAS, it is regrettable that the great city of Indianapolis, led by its very effective Mayor, Greg Ballard, is being dragged down by the reactionary efforts of the State Legislature and Governor of Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the work of cities today is to ensure a shared prosperity, in which every member of society has access to a fair wage, laws like Indiana's "Religious Freedom Restoration" law sets back those efforts by further dividing communities; and

WHEREAS, Portland has a long history of recognizing that discriminatory practices only serve to weaken communities and tear holes in the fabric of our city; and

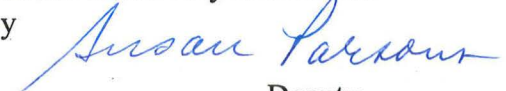
WHEREAS, Indiana, and particularly Indianapolis, hosts a number of conventions and conferences, some of which Portland city employees attend, including next year's U.S. Conference of Mayors National Conference;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we members of the Portland City Commission do so hereby stand with the citizens of Indiana and throughout the country who are asking Indiana Governor Mike Pence to overturn the "Religious Freedom Restoration" Act; temporarily suspend any public employee from travelling to the State of Indiana for City purposes until such time as the "Religious Freedom Restoration" Act has been overturned; and call on civic and business leaders throughout Portland, who have long been stalwart supporters for GLBT rights and against discrimination of any kind, to join us in saying no to discrimination.

Adopted by the Council: APR 01 2015

Mayor Hales
Prepared by: Rachael Wiggins
Date Prepared: 03/30/2014

Mary Hull Caballero
Auditor of the City of Portland

By 
Deputy

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<p>INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Hales/</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>MAR 31 2015</u></p>
<p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales</p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Novick</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <i>[Signature]</i> Deputy</p>
<p>BUREAU APPROVAL</p> <p>Bureau: Mayor's Office</p>	<p>ACTION TAKEN:</p>
<p>Prepared by: Rachael Wiggins Date Prepared: 3/25/2015</p>	
<p>Financial Impact Statement & Public Involvement Statement</p> <p>Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date April 1, 2015</p>	

AGENDA
<p>TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time: _____</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p>CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>REGULAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: 10 min (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz <i>[Signature]</i>	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish <i>[Signature]</i>	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman <i>[Signature]</i>	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Novick <i>[Signature]</i>	4. Novick	✓	
Hales <i>[Signature]</i>	Hales	✓	