

**RESOLUTION No. 37172**

Declare support for the city's Muslim community and reaffirm Portland's welcoming nature for all immigrants and refugees (Resolution)

WHEREAS, Portlanders pride themselves on their warm and welcoming nature; and

WHEREAS, our city has greatly benefitted from the addition of the many immigrants and refugees, from all religious backgrounds, who moved here in the past decades and have become valued and contributing citizens significantly benefitting our community; and

WHEREAS, the Muslim population in the Portland Metro area is estimated to be around 20,000; and

WHEREAS, our Muslim community is an important part of Portland's diversity, and of our growing multicultural identity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland continues to work toward a more inclusive society and welcomes cultural, ethnic and religious diversity; and

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in anti-Muslim and anti-immigration rhetoric in the national media, with the intended outcome of increasing patriotism and loyalty through inciting fear and hatred; and

WHEREAS, this country was founded on principles of freedom of religion and freedom from religious persecution; and

WHEREAS, recent demands seeking a ban on Muslims entering this country are unconscionable, and if carried forward could constitute violations of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Amendments to the U.S. Constitution, as well as violating Article 1, Sections 2 and 3 of the Oregon Constitution, and is tragically reminiscent of prior historic profiling of race and religion;

WHEREAS, the City of Portland's values of nondiscrimination, as evidenced by the City's Title 23, call for this Council to take a public stand; and

WHEREAS, as a community, Portland is a city that does not tolerate hate speech;

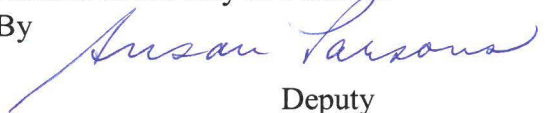
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Portland and its Council members stand in support of our Muslim community and call for an end to the continued use of anti-Muslim and anti-immigration hate speech; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Portland will continue to be a welcoming city to immigrants and refugees from all parts of the world, including the many Muslims fleeing from their violent and unstable countries.

Adopted by the Council: DEC 16 2015

Mayor Charlie Hales  
Prepared by: Rachael Wiggins  
Date Prepared: December 12, 2015

**Mary Hull Caballero**  
Auditor of the City of Portland  
By

  
Deputy

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>INTRODUCED BY</b> Commissioner/Auditor: <b>Portland City Council</b></p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <b>DEC 14 2015</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish <i>SMS for Nick Fish</i></p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Novick <i>[Signature]</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>[Signature]</i> Deputy</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Bureau: Mayor's Office</p>	<p><b>ACTION TAKEN:</b></p>
<p>Prepared by: Rachael Wiggins Date Prepared: December 8, 2015</p>	
<p>Financial Impact &amp; 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><b>City Auditor Office Approval:</b> required for Code Ordinances</p>	
<p><b>City Attorney Approval:</b> required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date <b>12/16/2015</b></p>	

<b>AGENDA</b>
<p><b>TIME CERTAIN</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Start time: 2:00 PM</p> <p><b>Total amount of time needed:</b> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p><b>CONSENT</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p><b>REGULAR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Total amount of time needed:</b> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

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