

RESOLUTION NO. 36-02  
CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCILMEMBER Susan W. Lienesch ON THE 19<sup>th</sup>  
DAY OF August, 2002.

A SOLIDARITY RESOLUTION AGAINST HATE.

WHEREAS, we share with our fellow Americans and with others throughout the world the grief over the tragic loss of innocent victims in the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, we hold in highest esteem the heroism of public safety personnel and ordinary citizens who lost their lives while saving or protecting countless numbers of others; and

WHEREAS, we join with others that seek meaningful ways to reach out to those suffering from personal injury or loss of a friend or loved one and support the many national and local leaders who have spoken out in efforts to heal our country and our communities; and

WHEREAS, past experiences such as the internment of over 110,000 innocent people of Japanese descent during WW II have taught us that the constitutional rights of citizens can be violated when suspicion and animosity are misdirected toward a group of individuals solely on the basis of their descent; and

WHEREAS, Arabs, Muslims, Sikhs, Hindus, those of Middle Eastern and South Asian descent, as well as other minority groups have become targets of harassment, abuse, and violence in misguided reprisals against their communities; and

WHEREAS, by protecting our civil rights at home and respecting human rights everywhere, we believe that America can show the world that its true strength lies, not only in military and economic might, but also in its moral and spiritual leadership.

NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTERVILLE HEREBY  
RESOLVES:

SECTION 1. That the City of Centerville condemns unlawful acts of malicious harassment, intimidation, or violence that is motivated by the offender's bias against a group of people; and

SECTION 2. That the City of Centerville consider measures to educate the public in order to help prevent future crimes based upon misdirected anger or hate.

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002.

Billy D. Beals  
Mayor of the City of Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:

Marie J. Saughan  
Clerk of Council  
City of Centerville, Ohio

**CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned, Clerk of the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Resolution Number 36-02, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002.

Marie J. Saughan  
Clerk of Council

Approved as to form, consistency  
with existing Ordinances, the Charter and  
constitutional provisions

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