

Resolution in support of Black Lives Matter

WHEREAS, time and time again, unarmed Black Americans are extra-judicially murdered by errant police officers in every corner of our country; and

WHEREAS, for far too long, White Americans have ignored or dismissed pleas from our fellow Black Americans—friends, neighbors, and communities; and

WHEREAS, the targeting and murder of innocent Black Americans has worsened under the corrupt and violent influence of those who currently control our federal government; and

WHEREAS, patriotic citizens across our country are calling for justice for all and reform of a corrupt police system; and

WHEREAS, condoning racism in society is in itself a racist act;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we fully support Black Lives Matter, standing against all forms of racism, and against injustice; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon our state and federal legislators to demand and implement police reform measures; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon the WA state Board of Education, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and individual school districts to implement curricula that teach children, as part of becoming a responsible citizen, to understand the nature of bias (racial, gender, etc.), how to recognize bias in themselves and others, and how to avoid acting on a bias when dealing with others (in other words, how to be fair); and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be sent to our state legislators, the Governor, the King County Council, WA State Board of Education, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and local school districts; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the WA State Democratic Central Committee for consideration at its next meeting.

Adopted _____ by _____

Previously adopted by the 1st District Democrats