

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 4949**

***A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ON RELIGIOUS PLUARALISM AND ISLAMOPHOBIA IN THE CITY OF PERRIS THEREOF.***

**WHEREAS**, any official position of the City of Perris with respect to legislation, rule, regulations or policies proseed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Perris facilitates access to local government by empowering communities with the knowledge and skills to participate effectively. Perris is comprised of diverse population that are easily overlooked without proper attention; and

**WHEREAS**, the concept of religious pluralism is used to describe the significance of interfaith dialogue between members of different religious groups with the goal of minimizing conflicts between the different groups; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Perris City Council initiated drafting the religious pluralism to establish goals and polices to guide the City efforts to promote commitment to pluralism and to the free exercise of religion are the cornerstone of American values that have helped produce ethnically and religiously diverse and vibrant cities; and

**WHEREAS**, the rise in anti-Muslim sentiment, commonly called Islamophobia has contributed to opposition to the lawful construction and expansion of religious centers across the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, mosques across America have been the targets of vandalism, arson and other hateful acts in the post years. In additions, hate crimes and incidents have increased tremendously in the Southern California region after the December 2, 2015 attack on the San Bernardino County Department of Health; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Perris has a history of opposing various degrees of discrimination and supporting the rights to religious liberty and equal protections and recognizing that when those rights are threatened for some they are weakened for all; and

**WHEREAS**, Prior to taking actions, the City Council has heard, been presented with, and/or reviewed all of the information and data which constitutes the administrative record for the above mentioned approvals, including all oral and written evidence presented to the City during all project meetings and hearings; and

**WHEREAS**, all other legal prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

***THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*** with the concurrence of the City Council that by the adoption of this Resolution, The City of Perris hereby supports and sponsorship of any legislation which would oppose islamophobia and renouncing random acts of violence against Muslim Americans.

***THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** by the City Council of the City of Perris as follows:

***Section 1.*** The above recitals are all true and correct.

***Section 2.*** The City Council declares that should any provision, section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this Resolution be rendered or declared invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or by reason of any preemptive legislation, the remaining provisions, sections, paragraphs, sentences, and words of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

***Section 3.*** The Mayor shall sign this Resolution and the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution.

***ADOPTED, SIGNED, and APPROVED*** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2016.

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Daryl R. Busch, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Nancy Salazar, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ) §  
CITY OF PERRIS )

I, Nancy Salazar, City Clerk of the City of Perris, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 4949 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Perris at a regular meeting thereof held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2016, and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

AYES: BURKE, RABB, ROGERS, YARBROUGH, BUSCH  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE

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Nancy Salazar, City Clerk