



# STAFF REPORT

AGENDA NO: 8j

MEETING DATE: September 3, 2019

**To: Honorable Mayor and City Council**

**Date: September 3, 2019**

**From: Lisa K. Goldman, City Manager – (650) 558-7243**

**Subject: Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the City's Participation in United Against Hate Week**

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

Mayor Colson and staff recommend the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the City's participation United Against Hate Week.

## **BACKGROUND**

United Against Hate Week, which was started by the Mayor of Berkeley in 2017, is a call for seven days of local civic action by people in every Bay Area community to stop the "hate and the implicit biases that are a threat to the safety and civility of our neighborhoods, towns and cities." This year, United Against Hate Week will be held November 17-23.

## **DISCUSSION**

On August 23, the Mayor and City Manager heard a presentation about United Against Hate Week from a member of the Berkeley Mayor's staff. There is widespread support in the East Bay for this movement, and the sponsors are now seeking to widen its reach. They have asked communities in San Mateo County to adopt resolutions of support, post signs, and host events.

In July 2017, the City Council adopted a resolution affirming the City's commitment to diversity and inclusion. Because that resolution, which is attached, is in line with the goals of United Against Hate Week, Mayor Colson and staff recommend that the City participate in this initiative.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is minimal fiscal impact from the City's participation in United Against Hate Week.

Exhibits:

- Resolution
- 2017 Resolution