



BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Human Rights Commission

Recommendation Number: 20191028-003b Recognition of International Human Rights Day

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted by the United Nations on December 10, 1948;

WHEREAS, human rights awareness is essential to the realization of fundamental freedoms and contributes to promoting equality, preventing conflict and human rights violations, and enhancing participation in democratic processes;

WHEREAS, the Human Rights Commission considers the City of Austin is an international city with people and businesses that conduct activities around the world and has a significant interest in making its community aware of international human rights issues;

WHEREAS, Austin Human Rights Commission supports the recognition of International Human Rights for all people and the celebration of International Human Rights Day to highlight its efforts in combating human rights abuses locally;

WHEREAS, December 10 of each year is celebrated around the world as "Human Rights Day".

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Austin Human Rights Commission encourages the Austin City Council to issue a proclamation recognizing December 10, 2019, as International Human Rights Day in Austin.

Date of Approval: October 28, 2019

Record of the vote: 8-0. Motion to adopt by Chair Davis, Commissioner Griffith second. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Caballero, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Griffith, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White. Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Jamarr Brown, and Commissioner Museitif were absent.

Attest: _____

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