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Everett City Council passes resolution on commitment to safe community City offers resources on inclusion, harassment and immigration

EVERETT – The Everett City Council on Wednesday unanimously passed a [joint resolution](#) with Everett Mayor Ray Stephanson declaring an equitable, inviting and safe community for all who live in and visit Everett.

“This is in many ways, stating the obvious. This is our policy, this is what we do. We want Everett to be a safe, inviting, welcoming city for all of our residents,” Councilmember Cassie Franklin said at the meeting.

The resolution expresses the City’s commitment to uphold the rights of all individuals in the community and to strongly condemn bullying, violence, harassment and other acts of hate.

Stephanson [spoke at Council](#) in November in response to recent concerns shared by community members. He reiterated that the City is “committed to preserving the values of inclusiveness and community safety.”

The City’s website includes information about reporting incidents and offers links to community organizations, among other resources: everettwa.gov/welcome.

The website also includes the Everett Police Department’s [policy on enforcement of immigration laws](#), the Mayor’s [statement](#) and the full text of the [Council resolution](#).

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