

RESOLUTION WELCOMING ALL PEOPLE INTO OUR COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, the town of Cape Elizabeth desires to support diversity and inclusion within the community;

WHEREAS, the town of Cape Elizabeth feels all residents of diverse beliefs and backgrounds richly contribute to the quality of life in Cape Elizabeth;

WHEREAS, the town of Cape Elizabeth encourages protecting and promoting the personal dignity of all residents and eliminating discriminatory barriers that may prevent individuals from reaching their full potential;

WHEREAS, the town of Cape Elizabeth seeks to support a welcoming and inclusive community through meaningful and visible strategies rooted in education, understanding, and respect;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the town of Cape Elizabeth:

- 1) Condemns acts of hate, violence, intolerance, or discrimination directed toward any of its citizens;
- 2) Welcomes all people and celebrates the benefits of a pluralistic society that respects the inalienable right of every person to live without prejudice and fear;
- 3) Encourages forums where civil and respectful dialogue may take place to promote better understanding;
- 4) Seeks to support a diverse and inclusive community by eliminating discriminatory barriers and encouraging inclusive recommendations.