

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING LOVE AND RESPECT FOR ALL PEOPLE IN OUR GREAT AND DIVERSE NATION AND IN OPPOSITION TO THOSE WHO CLAIM INHERENT SUPERIORITY, OR PUBLICLY SUPPORT BIGOTRY AND PREJUDICE.**

WHEREAS, Americans hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness;

WHEREAS, the KKK and other hate groups have been emboldened in recent months and are more frequently engaging in public expressions of hatred, prejudice and bigotry towards minority groups;

WHEREAS, bullying of those who are different, and expressions of intolerance are occurring even among our youth in schools;

WHEREAS, the KKK has proposed a rally in Asheboro on May 6, 2017;

WHEREAS, to remain silent in the face of evil is to be complicit in it;

WHEREAS, there is real danger of violence if the KKK is confronted face-to-face by counter-demonstrators;

WHEREAS, members of hate groups such as the KKK can feel an inflated sense of their own importance in the face of counter-demonstrations;

WHEREAS, the NAACP and other groups and individuals are organizing and promoting alternative “positive” events on May 6 and May 13;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Randolph County NC Democratic Party urges people who believe in the common brotherhood/sisterhood of all human beings to stay as far away as possible from the vicinity of the KKK rally, if it takes place;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Randolph County NC Democratic Party urges all people, regardless of party affiliation, to publicly, peacefully and in overwhelming numbers join with the NAACP or other organizers of positive events on May 6 or May 13 to demonstrate that they love, embrace, and welcome into their communities all people of good-will, regardless of age, economic circumstance, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, health, national origin, physical ability, race, religion, sexual orientation, social status or any other innately human quality or attribute.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be shared with news outlets, political, business, religious, social groups and community groups, including the Randolph County Republican Party, and that it also be distributed and promoted as widely as possible via website, social media and other available means.