

## RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 103

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### **A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING RACISM; SUPPORTING A HATE CRIME BILL IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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**WHEREAS**, The City of Powder Springs, its Mayor, City Council, Chief of Police, entire Powder Springs Police Department and employees city-wide, are deeply saddened by the tragic events that have recently occurred across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, racism, prejudice and hate have no place in our City, and the City is expressly opposed to racism, bigotry, hate and violence in any form; and

**WHEREAS**, a crime of hate is any crime committed due to the victim's actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, mental disability, or physical disability

**WHEREAS**, the City is committed to working actively against all forms of racism, continuing to encourage an inclusive community built on trust, safeguarding our community against the damages that racism causes, and ensuring that the Constitutional rights of every person who lives, works, and visits our great city are protected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Powder Springs Police Department is a diverse department that employs men and women of the highest ethical standards who mirror our community and understand and are trained about the importance of equal treatment to every citizen; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will continue to be honest and transparent with internal and external stakeholders, is committed to servicing the community in the most effective and efficient manner, and will continue to build and reinforce the need for community partnership and trust; and

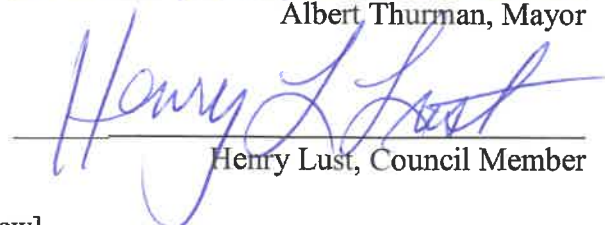
**WHEREAS**, the men and women of the City of Powder Springs Police Department appreciate the overwhelming support from our great community and promise to protect, serve and exceed the expectation of honesty, transparency and fair treatment to all citizens;

**THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Powder Springs, Georgia that we stand steadfast with all citizens of Powder Springs against racism and reaffirm our commitment to stand up for racial justice and human and civil rights for all.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and City Council encourages the Cobb Delegation to continue to work closely with the State Legislature in adopting a hate crime bill that ensures equal protection and equal justice for all.

**SO RESOLVED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

  
Albert Thurman, Mayor

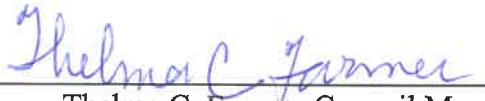
  
Henry Lust, Council Member

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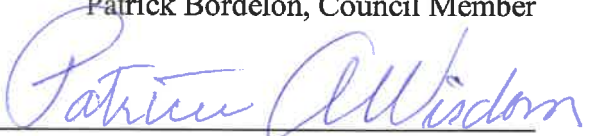
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Doris Dawkins, Council Member

  
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ATTEST:  
Kelly Axt, City Clerk



*Read and adopted in the meeting of the Mayor and City Council for the City of Powder Springs held on June 15, 2020.*