RESOLUTION 2021-5

CONDEMNING RACISM, DISCRIMINATION, AND HATE CRIMES AGAINST ASIAN-AMERICANS IN OUR SOCIETY

WHEREAS, there have been more than 3,000 reports of anti-Asian incidents throughout the United States exclusively from March 2020 to April 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, harassment and violence against Asian-American persons, families, and communities have increased since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic due to inflammatory and racist rhetoric; and

WHEREAS, the increased rates of anti-Asian hate crimes impact people of all ages, and are often directed at the most defenseless populations, targeting the elderly and youth; and

WHEREAS, combatting racism requires active resistance at both the community organizing and legislative levels; and

WHEREAS, High-Powered Assault Rifles requiring a magazine have been used too often in heinous crimes that resulted in massive injury and death.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of University City on behalf of all its residents condemn hate crimes against Asian-Americans and stand with our community members; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of University City on behalf of all its citizens, condemn all acts of racism, hate, and discrimination against all Asian-Americans; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of University City on behalf of all its citizens encourage our Federal delegation to take action now to ban the sale of military grade assault rifles to civilian and better regulate the sale of all guns in our country.

ADOPTED this 12nd day of April, 2021.

Terry Crow Mayor

ATTEST:

LaRette Reese, City Clerk