

Clark County Unity Resolution
Resolution No. 2026-03-03

WHEREAS, the Clark County Council is concerned about increasing divisive rhetoric and acts of political violence, and affirms that violence, intimidation, and threats have no place in a democratic society; and

WHEREAS, Clark County, as an employer of more than 1,700 people and a governmental body serving over 540,000 residents, is committed to upholding the constitutional rights of all people and to serving residents with a wide range of backgrounds, beliefs, and political viewpoints; and

WHEREAS, the Clark County Council and Board of Health previously recognized that disparities in health and well-being exist within the community and directed the Department of Public Health to engage in activities to specifically decrease these disparities, including racialized disparities, as they exist in a public health context; and,

WHEREAS, The United States was founded on the principles of pluralism, individual liberty, and respect for and tolerance of differences. Clark County remains committed to the values of civic participation and mutual respect, and celebrates the heritage and identities of all our community members, including different cultural, social, and economic backgrounds, political beliefs, ages, races, gender and sexual identities, and religions, among other individual characteristics; and

WHEREAS, the Council acknowledges that there are members of our community who experience fear or concern for their personal safety based on how they look, the color of their skin, their background, beliefs, identity, or other perceived characteristics; and

WHEREAS, Clark County is committed to ensuring that all residents are treated with dignity and fairness, have access to public services, and can participate in community life without intimidation or discrimination; and

WHEREAS, Clark County celebrates the rich diversity of its residents and strives to foster understanding, tolerance, and our shared humanity and responsibility to create a county where all residents can flourish; and

WHEREAS, the Council encourages all residents to express ideas, concerns, and disagreements honestly and respectfully, and to engage in civic discourse without personal attacks, threats, or inappropriate conduct;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL THAT:

The Clark County Council declares unity and universal dignity as priority values of the County, and resolves the following:

- This council condemns political violence, threats, and intimidation in all forms.
- The Council commits to reviewing the county's code of conduct for County Council members and members of Clark County Boards and Commissions that affirms and prioritizes dignity and respect for all community members. The council will also make efforts to ensure that county boards and commissions reflect the community they serve to hear broadly from all parts of Clark County.
- The Council affirms its commitment to the constitutional rights of all residents of all walks of life, including freedom of speech, peaceful assembly, and participation in civic life and live a healthy and thriving life in Clark County.
- The Council commits to adopting policies that allow for decorum and productive participation in public meetings.
- The Council calls upon residents, community organizations, and public officials to engage in civic discourse with respect, courtesy, and a shared commitment to the safety and dignity of all members of the community and commits to working in good faith with partners across Clark County to work together to solve our community's challenges and provide the opportunity to thrive in southwest Washington.


Signed this 17th day of March, 2026.

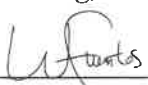
CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL
CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Attest:


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By 
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