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## RESOLUTION NO. 6923

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ALBANY CONDEMNING RACISM, HATRED, AND INTOLERANCE

WHEREAS, we cherish our city and are deeply saddened by the recent events of bigotry and intimidation in Albany and injustices that occur anywhere in our nation; and

WHEREAS, we are committed to safeguarding our community against the damages that racism causes and to ensuring respect and protection of the Constitutional rights of every person who lives or works in Albany and those who visit our community; and

WHEREAS, racism, racial injustice, hatred, and bigotry have no place in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Albany Police Department is committed to working with the community to continue to protect the quality of life for all who live in, work in, and visit Albany, and to defend the rights of our citizens and businesses to reside in safety and security, and

WHEREAS, our diverse community makes Albany a desirable place to live, work, and play; and

WHEREAS, hatred and bigotry decrease the safety and quality of life of our city, and seriously and negatively affect our economic viability, and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany is committed to the values of acceptance, diversity, inclusion, and equity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Albany City Council that it stands steadfast against crimes of racism, intolerance, and unlawful discrimination; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Council, and City staff are committed to continuing dialog with the community to address issues of systemic racism and intolerance and their impact on individuals and the Albany community as a whole.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 26TH DAY OF AUGUST 2020.

City Clerk

Mayor

ATTEST: