



# TOWN OF NORTH ELBA

## RESOLUTION

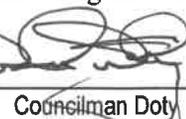
### Adirondack Park- Local Government Review Board

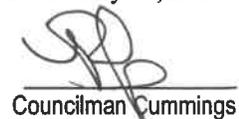
The Town Board unanimously approved the following Statement Condemning Racist Acts on July 14, 2020.

  
Supervisor Rand

Councilman Favro

  
Councilwoman Kilburn-Politi

  
Councilman Doty

  
Councilman Cummings

A disturbingly ugly act has tarnished one of the most beautiful places on Earth.

The recent display of racism, hatred and intolerance in our regional community is deplorable and has no place in the Adirondack Park or anywhere in our world. When apprehended, the perpetrator, who acted under the cover and cowardice of darkness, should be punished to the greatest extent of the law.

We, the undersigned, unequivocally condemn any and all actions that discriminate against, threaten or embarrass a fellow human being based on race, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or disability. We call on our fellow Adirondackers to join us in rejecting hateful behavior and promoting a culture and community of mutual respect for all.

Our Adirondack towns and villages were settled and took shape on the strength, determination and vision of people of diverse nationalities and color. We have built our communities together, celebrated great accomplishments together, fought disease, disasters and wars together.

At its heart, we know the Adirondacks are a welcoming place with welcoming people — opening our communities, businesses and spectacular recreational amenities to new residents and visitors from around the globe with open arms and kind words.

Four thoughtless, sickening words spray painted on a railroad bridge do not speak for, and will not define, our Adirondack communities.

At the same time, however, let this be an opportunity to learn, educate and do better. While those hateful words were quickly removed by a kind-hearted community member, we cannot let them fade from our consciousness. Instead, we must ask ourselves what more we can do to stop atrocities like this from ever happening again.

From our living rooms to our children's classrooms, workplaces to athletic fields, community centers to online message boards, the time has come to recommit ourselves to doing more: More listening, more understanding, more mutual respect.

We cannot and will not tolerate any form of racism or discrimination in this spectacular place we call home. We believe in the Adirondack Diversity Initiative's mission to educate our regional community on matters of race and inclusiveness, and we look forward to continuing to work with ADI and people throughout the Park to remove racism and discrimination from our communities and ensure they remain safe, comfortable and desirable places to live and visit for all people at all times.

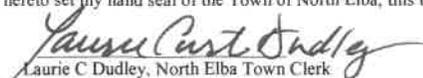


I, Laurie C. Dudley Town Clerk of the Town of North Elba, Essex County, New York.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing with the original minutes of the Town Board of the Town of North Elba at a Meeting of said Board of the Town of North Elba held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020 and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof, and that said original resolution is on file in my office.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of said Town Board had due notice of said meeting and that Supervisor Jay Rand, and Town Councilmen, Jack Favro, Derek Doty, Emily Kilburn-Politi and Richard Cummings were present at such meeting.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand seal of the Town of North Elba, this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

  
Laurie C Dudley, North Elba Town Clerk