

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
DENOUNCING CORONAVIRUS DISCRIMINATION AGAINST ASIANS AND
ASIAN AMERICANS

WHEREAS, the mission of the City of Garden Grove is to provide responsible leadership and quality services as we promote safety, cultural harmony, and life enrichment;

WHEREAS, the growth of the Asian community in the City of Garden Grove has greatly contributed to the economic growth and success of the City of Garden Grove;

WHEREAS, approximately 40 percent of the City's population is of Asian descent;

WHEREAS, many of the City of Garden Grove's essential workers at the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic in health care, first responders, supermarkets, and other service industries are of Asian descent;

WHEREAS, the use of anti-Asian terminology and rhetoric related to COVID-19 has perpetuated anti-Asian stigma; and

WHEREAS, the increased use of anti-Asian rhetoric has resulted in Asians and Asian Americans being harassed, assaulted, and scapegoated for the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Garden Grove, California resolves the following:

1. Strongly condemns and denounces anti-Asian sentiment in any form;
2. Recognizes a racially inclusive environment is essential to the health and safety of all its residents;
3. Supports local law enforcement in continuing their efforts to work with State and Federal law enforcement officials to investigate and document all credible reports of COVID-19 related hate crimes and threats; and
4. Commits to collecting and publicly reporting data on reported COVID-19 related bias in the City of Garden Grove.