



# Orange Stands Together

**Whereas**, Orange residents and businesses support one another when we are hurting, and today is no exception; and

**Whereas**, many of us cannot begin to understand the depths of anguish and pain caused by the recent killing of Mr. George Floyd in Minneapolis Minnesota. We share in the anger that his death has sparked, and

**Whereas**, injustice, racism, and hate will not be tolerated in our community, and the voices of good people standing up against these destructive forces are reverberating through our community; and

**Whereas**, the City of Orange stands together with the African-American members of our community, and those who have been marginalized and disenfranchised no matter their race, creed, color, or orientation. Our community stands as one; and

**Whereas**, our Orange Police Department's mission is to perform law enforcement duties, with innovative leadership, accountable to the people they serve, in order to ensure the safety and improve the quality of life in our diverse community; and

**Whereas**, the Orange Police Department operates with a set of values that prioritize the community in public safety and policing efforts. This includes community oriented programs such as the Homeless Engagement, Assistance & Resource Team (HEART); Citizen Police Academy; Community Emergency Response Team; Shop with a Cop; and the youth-oriented GRIP program; and

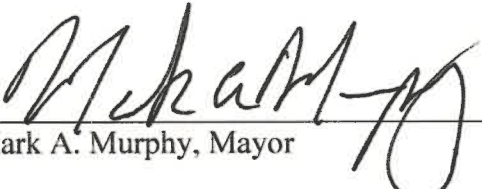
**Whereas**, the City Council's commitment to community policing will not only continue but will be enhanced in response to recent events; and

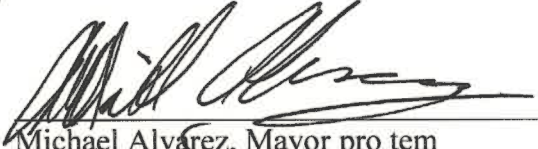
**Whereas**, the City Council supports peaceful protests that can serve as a critical tool for public awareness. We simultaneously condemn riots, often fueled by outside agitators that are followed by violence and vandalism; and

**Whereas**, the City will engage the community to promote open dialogue about intolerance of racism, implicit bias, and discrimination. We are Orange and Orange is strong.


**NOW THEREFORE I**, Mark A. Murphy, Mayor of the City of Orange, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim solidarity with those who exercise their constitutional rights to peacefully protest against injustice, racism and hate.

Dated June 11, 2020

  
Mark A. Murphy, Mayor

  
Michael Alvarez, Mayor pro tem

  
Kimberlee Nichols, Councilmember

  
Chip Monaco, Councilmember