

**TOWN OF SOUTHERN PINES RESOLUTION #1039
CONDEMNING HATRED AND DISCRIMINATION
IN SOUTHERN PINES AND MOORE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, we, the Town Council of Southern Pines, firmly believe that everyone should be treated with respect and dignity. Our nation was built on the principles of human equality and equity; and

WHEREAS, we are committed to ensuring that Southern Pines is a safe, inclusive, and diverse community free of fear and bias where every individual is valued and respected. Our diversity of perspectives, experiences, and backgrounds makes us a richer, more creative community and enhances our quality of life; and

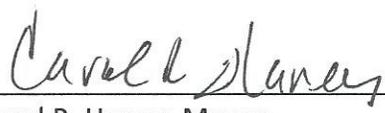
WHEREAS, we are saddened by the recent displays of hatred, discrimination, and indignity that have been shown to some citizens in Southern Pines and the greater Moore County area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southern Pines, North Carolina in regular session assembled this 14th day of February, 2023, that:

1. The Town of Southern Pines condemns all forms of discrimination and bias on the basis of age, race/color, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, nationality or ethnic origin, disability, ideology, social or economic class, or any other distinction that leads to inequality of opportunities, abuse, or injustice.
2. The Town of Southern Pines affirms that all individuals should be treated with respect and we recognize the value and contributions of all.
3. The Town of Southern Pines supports efforts to advance equality, equity, and justice.
4. The Town of Southern Pines affirms that hatred and violence have no place in our behaviors, actions, policies, and practices.

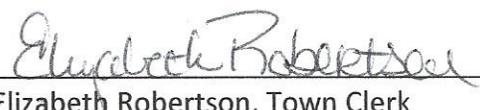
Adopted this 14th day of February, 2023.

TOWN OF SOUTHERN PINES



Carol R. Haney, Mayor

I certify that this resolution was adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Southern Pines at its meeting of the 14th day of February, 2023 as shown in the minutes of the Town Council for that date.



Elizabeth Robertson, Town Clerk

