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RESOLUTION 4 -25

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MUNCIE AFFIRMING MUNCIE AS AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY FOR ALL RESIDENTS

WHEREAS, the City of Muncie respects the inherent dignity of the human person, and the right of all people to be meaningful components of a civic and civil community, and to be treated with dignity, decency and fairness; and

WHEREAS, Muncie is made up of people of all ages, from all walks of life, working and living together, and that the Common Council of the City of Muncie believes everyone, regardless of ability, age, cultural background, ethnicity, faith, gender, gender identity, ideology, income, national origin, race or sexual orientation has the opportunity to reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, we believe that all members of our community should feel safe and welcome in their places of work, schools, homes and public spaces; and

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the City of Muncie values the principals of diversity, equity and inclusion for all human beings, and in all civic, private and public spaces; and

WHEREAS, by protecting the rights of every individual, and actively working to end discrimination and foster an environment where all residents are respected, listened to, valued and supported, we enhance and strengthen our City, the future of our City, and the lives of our residents; and

WHEREAS, we affirm our support for the inclusion and empowerment of all residents, the importance of representation to all human beings and the removal of biased barriers that would prevent the same; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MUNCIE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>: The Common Council of the City of Muncie affirms Muncie's commitment to being an inclusive and welcoming community where all residents can live free from discrimination, harassment or fear.

<u>Section 2</u>: The Common Council of the City of Muncie supports the protection of programs that embrace diversity, equity and inclusion of all residents.

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<u>Section 3</u>: The Common Council of the City of Muncie affirms that Muncie upholds the principals of human dignity and equality by ensuring all residents can access city services and live without fear of discrimination or persecution.

<u>Section 4</u>: The Common Council of the City of Muncie affirms that Muncie commits to ensuring that all residents feel safe accessing emergency services, reporting crimes and seeking any and all other city service or assistance.

Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Muncie, Indiana, this 31dday of Morch 2025.

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ATTEST:

Belinda Munson, City Clerk

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