

MIDVALE CITY, UTAH

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-R-42

EXPRESSING MIDVALE CITY'S SUPPORT FOR LEGISLATION DURING THE 2018 SESSION PROVIDING LAW ENFORCEMENT STRONGER TOOLS TO ADDRESS CRIME THAT DELIBERATELY TARGETS A VICTIM BECAUSE OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S ANCESTRY, DISABILITY, ETHNICITY, GENDER, GENDER IDENTITY, NATIONAL ORIGIN, RACE, RELIGION, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION

WHEREAS, the United States of America's Declaration of Independence states that governments are instituted to secure mankind's unalienable rights; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 alone, Christian monuments have been destroyed, Muslim Mosques have been burned, and bomb threats have been made against Jewish Schools, Synagogues, and Community Centers; including here in Utah; and

WHEREAS, when a criminal deliberately targets a victim because of an individual's ancestry, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, national origin, race, religion, or sexual orientation to deprive them of their unalienable right to life, liberty, property, or to pursue happiness, other members of that community are deeply affected, as is society as a whole; and

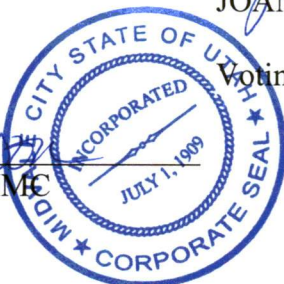
WHEREAS, law enforcement has asked for stronger tools to address crime in which the offender targets victims to assist law enforcement in building better relations and trust with communities, and to more appropriately punish these vicious criminal acts,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MIDVALE, UTAH:

- Section 1. Midvale City joins with the Utah Attorney General, Salt Lake County District Attorney, the Statewide Association of Prosecutors, the Utah Chiefs of Police Association, the Utah Sheriffs' Association, the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, the Utah Sentencing Commission, the Utah Counsel on Victims of Crime, the Law Enforcement Legislative Committee, and many other religious and community groups in calling on the Utah State Legislature to act.
Section 2. A signed copy of this Resolution will be sent to all members of the Utah Legislature representing any constituents residing within Midvale City.
Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted by the City Council of Midvale, Utah, this 3rd day of October 2017.

Signature of Joann B. Seghini, Mayor



ATTEST:
Signature of Rori L. Andreason, MMC
RORI L. ANDREASON, MMC
City Recorder

Voting by the City Council
Quinn Sperry [checked]
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Paul Hunt [checked]
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Stephen Brown [checked]