

**CITY COUNCIL**

**The City of Orange Township, New Jersey**

**DATE** December 3, 2024

**NUMBER** 535-2024

**TITLE:** **A RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS MONTH IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP.**  
(Sponsored by Council President Adrienne Wooten)

**WHEREAS**, Universal Human Rights Month is observed annually in December to encourage individuals and communities worldwide to come together in solidarity to advocate for equality, justice, and the dignity of all human beings; and

**WHEREAS**, December is a time to commemorate the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 10, 1948, which proclaims the inalienable rights that every human being is entitled to, regardless of race, gender, nationality, ethnicity, language, religion, or any other status; and

**WHEREAS**, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights recognizes fundamental freedoms and protections such as freedom from discrimination, the right to equality, the right to life, liberty, and security, and the presumption of innocence until proven guilty; and

**WHEREAS**, Universal Human Rights Month provides an opportunity for the residents of the City of Orange Township to reflect on the importance of human rights and the collective responsibility to promote and protect these rights at all levels—local, national, and global; and

**WHEREAS**, this month serves as a reminder that the fight for human rights requires continuous effort, collaboration, and advocacy to address ongoing issues of injustice, inequality, and discrimination; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Orange Township is committed to fostering a community that upholds the principles of equality, diversity, and inclusion, ensuring the dignity and rights of every individual are protected and celebrated;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township recognize and celebrate December as Universal Human Rights Month within the City of Orange Township; and

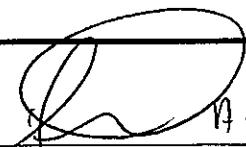
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Orange Township encourages all residents, organizations, and institutions to observe this month by participating in educational activities, discussions, and initiatives that promote understanding, acceptance, and the protection of human rights for all; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the City of Orange Township honors the legacy of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and reaffirms its dedication to creating a just and equitable society where the dignity and rights of every individual are respected and upheld.

**Adopted: December 3, 2024**

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**Joyce L. Lanier**  
City Clerk

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**Adrienne K. Wooten**  
Council President

  
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