

## SAMPLE ONE– Formal

### **Resolution to Promote Dignified Discourse and Productive Communication**

**WHEREAS**, this/these [individuals, organizations, and or governing bodies] affirm dignity as a fundamental principle of easing division, constructive engagement in civic, professional, and community spaces; and

**WHEREAS**, contemptuous language causes division, and evokes polarization; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dignity Index provides an evidence-based framework to assess and promote speech that upholds respect, constructive dialogue, and unity; and

**WHEREAS**, when we use contempt, its hard to see, when we start to see it, its hard to use it and the Dignity Index helps us see it

#### **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**Commitment to Dignity:** The undersigned [individuals, organizations, and or governing bodies] will strive to uphold the principles of dignity in forms of communication, including public statements, discussions, workplace interactions, and digital engagement.

**Use of the Dignity Index:** In adopting this resolution this body and its people can utilize the Dignity Index as a framework to guide, assess, and improve discourse within their respective domains.

**Non-bias Application:** The principles of dignity shall be applied universally, without bias, discrimination, or favoritism, ensuring fair dialogue across all sectors.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** those participating in proceedings and interactions with this body, its people, and other participants will be held to similar standards of discourse and will be encouraged to conduct themselves in a way that strives to reflect these same principles.

**ADOPTED THIS [DATE] BY [ORGANIZATION/GOVERNING BODY/COMMUNITY].**

SIGNED:

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_ This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.