



# *The City of Minneapolis*

## A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

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### Honoring International Human Rights Day

WHEREAS, on December 10, 1948, the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted and proclaimed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, guarantees the rights of all people and encompasses a broad spectrum of economic, social, cultural, political and civil rights; and

WHEREAS, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman, or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD), and the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups, and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, are all international documents impacting the rights of individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Human Rights Treaties were ratified by the United States Congress as “part of the supreme law of the land” under the United States Constitution and are recognized as such in the 1998 Executive Order 13107; and

WHEREAS, December 10th continues to be recognized as Human Rights Day worldwide, and activities and celebrations mark the significance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights throughout the week;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Minneapolis does hereby recognize and honor International Human Rights Day 2015 in the City of Minneapolis and encourages all citizens to familiarize themselves with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), the human rights treaties, and the role of state and local governments and

individuals in advancing human rights, and apply the human rights framework to issues in the United States, the State of Minnesota, the City of Minneapolis, and our community, and recognize and support human rights in our daily lives.

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Barbara Johnson, President of the Council

Approved: Betsy Hodges, Mayor