

INTRODUCED: 7/13/2020

REFERRED TO: Committee of the Whole

SPONSOR: Councillors Osili, Robinson, Lewis, Adamson, Brown, Graves, Carlino, Potts, Barth, E. Evans

DIGEST: calls on City government, through the Department of Public Works, to paint an anti-racist message on Indiana Avenue, at an appropriate location between its intersection with West Street and its intersection with Paca Street

SOURCE:

Initiated by: Councillor Osili

Drafted by: Office of Corporation Counsel

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADOPTION:

Subject to approval or veto by Mayor

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:

Adoption and approvals

GENERAL COUNSEL APPROVAL:



Date: July 9, 2020

CITY-COUNTY SPECIAL RESOLUTION NO. , 2020

A SPECIAL RESOLUTION calling on City government, through the Department of Public Works, to paint a message condemning racism and inequality on Indiana Avenue, at an appropriate location between its intersection with West Street and its intersection with Paca Street.

WHEREAS, this Council has previously declared racism a public-health crisis in a special resolution to which the Mayor added his signature; and

WHEREAS, individuals throughout our community have been making their voices heard in condemning the scourge of racism, particularly the racism that has for far too long acutely affected our city's Black and Brown residents; and

WHEREAS, governments may, and regularly do, also engage in official government speech on important matters; and

WHEREAS, government has an obligation to express its condemnation of racism and inequality, in official government speech, with a visible message—a message that will be clearly visible outside the walls of this Council Chamber; now, therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. The City-County Council calls on City government, through the Department of Public Works, to visibly express our Consolidated City and County government's official government speech condemning racism and inequality by the painting on Indiana Avenue of Black Lives Matter, at an appropriate location between its intersection with West Street and its intersection with Paca Street.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is invited to join in this resolution by affixing his signature hereto.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption and compliance with IC 36-3-4-14.

The foregoing was passed by the City-County Council this _____ day of _____, 2020, at _____ p.m.

ATTEST:

SaRita Hughes
Clerk, City-County Council

Vop Osili
President, City-County Council

Presented by me to the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2020.

SaRita Hughes
Clerk, City-County Council

Approved and signed by me this _____ day of _____, 2020.

Joseph H. Hogsett, Mayor