

BOROUGH OF RED BANK

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

RESOLUTION NO. 11-109

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE EFFORTS OF THE RED BANK HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO ADOPT A DIVERSITY STATEMENT

Ms. Horgan offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Red Bank is a diverse community and strives to be accepting of all of its residents and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Governing Body have been committed to diversity through out the organization and celebrate the differences of individuals that make up the Borough of Red Bank; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Red Bank Human Relations Advisory Committee has adopted the following Diversity Statement:

Diversity, when it is accepted and respected, is a tremendous strength and asset for any community. It encompasses an understanding that each individual is unique and valuable to the welfare of the community. It recognizes and celebrates the differences amongst individuals, and capitalizes on the strengths resulting from these differences. Diversity works best when a community explores these differences in a safe, positive, and nurturing environment. The Human Relations Advisory Committee of Red Bank, NJ, in an effort to set an example for inclusivity, adopts the broadest definition of diversity with the following statement: The dimensions of diversity shall include, but are not limited to the following: race, ethnicity, persons of faith and non-believers, sexual orientation, sex, gender identity, disability, socioeconomic status, cultural orientation, physical abilities, political beliefs, age, and national origin and status.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby acknowledges and commends the members of the Red Bank Human Relations Advisory Committee for their efforts to develop a diversity statement that defines the Borough's commitment; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Red Bank wishes to support and encourage all members of our community to participate in their government and knows each individual has something unique to offer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council wishes commend the members of the Red Bank Human Relations Advisory Committee on their effort to bring the issue of diversity to the forefront and to ensure the Borough's ongoing commitment to respect and understanding among its residents, volunteers and employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Red Bank adopt this statement an official diversity statement of the Borough of Red Bank.

Seconded by Ms. Lee and adopted on roll call by the following vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ms. Lewis	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. Ziprich	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. DuPont	(x)	()	()	()
Ms. Horgan	(x)	()	()	()
Ms. Lee	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. Murphy	(x)	()	()	()

Dated: May 25, 2011