

ALBANY CALIFORNIA



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MAYOR'S STATEMENT

SUBJECT: COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

I want to recognize those in our community who are taking affirmative steps to reinforce our commitment to diversity and inclusion, especially the business community who have stepped up during this time of fear and uncertainty by posting welcoming signs in their windows as shown on the screen, and the organizers of the Women's March in Albany on this coming Saturday. I know there are many who are working hard both individually and in groups to ensure our commitment is met. Please know that your efforts are supported and appreciated.

I'm extremely honored and proud to be Mayor of a city where the police department so clearly explains their policies recognizing the civil rights of all community members, regardless of immigration status and their resolve to prevent, respond to, and prosecute any crimes based on hate. I urge everyone to read the Statement Concerning Hate Crimes and Immigration Violations on the police department page of the city web site, www.albanyca.org.

Albany will not tolerate any show of hate and will continue to work with law enforcement both local and regional to ensure violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

This council stated in November that we welcome and value all of our diverse community regardless of where they are from, who they love, how they worship, how they look, their abilities, or how they vote. We continue to stand by this principal.

Peggy McQuaid

Mayor