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A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester has historically been committed to diversity among the City's neighborhoods, residents, and visitors, and has implemented initiatives to enhance diversity throughout its population; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester opposes discriminatory practices that degrade individuals, foster intolerance, bullying, and hate, and create and intensify unemployment, substandard housing, the lack of education, ill health, lawlessness and poverty, thereby injuring the public's health, safety and welfare; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester seeks to prevent and prohibit all discriminatory practices based on race, color, creed, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, including sexual harassment, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, marital status or status with regard to public assistance; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester seeks to promote greater civility and understanding of our collective differences and similarities, and is proud of the richness) that it brings to our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Rochester Common Council that the City endorses the affirmative efforts being taken to achieve greater diversity among our citizens, and expresses its continued support of its commitment to equality and inclusiveness for all citizens and visitors to our community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Comprehensive Plan Policy on Affordable Housing and Diversity, originally adopted as part of the Comprehensive Plan in 1999, is hereby adopted in its updated and revised form reaffirming our commitment to an inclusive community made up of inclusive, integrated neighborhoods.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE C	COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA, THIS	DAY OF <u>August</u> , 2012.
	ACTING PRESIDENT OF SAID COMMON COUNCIL
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