

RESOLUTION NO. 395

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON PROHIBITING NON-ESSENTIAL CITY-RELATED TRAVEL TO THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Legislature adopted and North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory signed into law North Carolina House Bill 2 (H.B.2), which revokes civil rights protections for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered and Queer (LGBTQ) people; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's H.B.2 overturns an impending City of Charlotte, North Carolina ordinance allowing transgendered people to use the restroom that aligns with their gender identity; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's H.B.2 invalidates Charlotte's entire anti-discrimination law and prevents all North Carolina cities and counties from enacting any law that protects LGBTQ citizens from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's H.B.2 is inconsistent with the work and values of the City of Shoreline to promote equity and inclusion and to advance social justice for the citizens of Shoreline; and

WHEREAS, the use of discretionary public taxpayer dollars should, to the extent possible, reflect the values of the people of the City of Shoreline and should not be used to support the economies of businesses and governments that support and enact discriminatory laws and policies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline is a member of the National League of Cities, which has chosen to continue to hold its 2017 national conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, and the Shoreline City Council feels strongly that it cannot in good conscience expend public monies for travel to North Carolina due to the passage of H.B.2; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline applauds the City of Charlotte, North Carolina for taking steps to protect LGBTQ rights; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline will stand with those who are fighting for equity in North Carolina and elsewhere across the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1: All non-essential City-related and City-funded travel to the State of North Carolina is prohibited until such time as North Carolina H.B.2 has been repealed in its entirety or altered so that it is no longer discriminatory in nature.

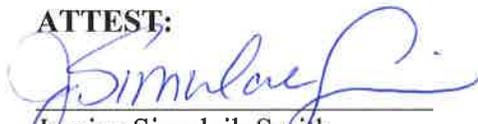
Section 2: Copies of this resolution shall be transmitted by the City Clerk to the Sound Cities Association, the Association of Washington Cities, the National League of Cities, the Mayor of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, the Governor of the State of North Carolina and the North Carolina State Legislature.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2016.



Mayor Christopher Roberts

ATTEST:



Jessica Simulcik Smith
City Clerk