

# Resolution No. 1996-01

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A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, expressing its position of zero tolerance for gangs and gang activities in the City of Lakewood

WHEREAS, the voters of Lakewood have elected to incorporate as a municipality, taking more direct control of activities, functions and operations occurring within the corporate boundaries of the City; and,

WHEREAS, following the vote to incorporate, the citizens of Lakewood have elected the first City Council for the City of Lakewood, which City Council has identified as its priority providing and enhancing the quality of life in the City of Lakewood; and,

WHEREAS, gangs and gang activities, as those terms are colloquially used, are contrary to the goals of the City Council of the City of Lakewood and detrimental to the quality of life in Lakewood; and,

WHEREAS, in order to establish a clear and firm position regarding gangs and gang activities, and to provide for protection, preservation and enhancement of quality of life, it is appropriate for the City Council to express its zero tolerance for gangs.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

1. That the position of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, is zero tolerance for gangs and gang activities within or about the City of Lakewood, and that the City will incorporate this position in its approach to law enforcement issues and community based issues.
2. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect on the 28th day of February, 1996, the official date of incorporation, provided that the terms of this Resolution shall be in effect during the interim period prior to February 28, 1996.

PASSED by the City Council on the 16th day of January, 1996.

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Bill Harrison, Mayor

Attest:

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Approved as to Form:

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