
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Condemning white supremacy and neo-Nazism.

2 WHEREAS, The tragic events that took place August 12, 2017,
3 in Charlottesville, Virginia, prove that white supremacy and
4 neo-Nazism remain very real threats to social and racial
5 progress; and

6 WHEREAS, Throughout the course of our nation's history, white
7 supremacists have promoted intimidation and violent repression
8 of individuals solely on the basis of their race, ethnicity,
9 religion, sexual orientation and immigration status; and

10 WHEREAS, While free speech is a bedrock value for Americans,
11 white supremacist and neo-Nazi groups promote agendas that are
12 in irreconcilable conflict with our nation's foundational
13 principles of liberty and justice for all; and

14 WHEREAS, White supremacy and neo-Nazism are continuing to
15 grow as menaces to societal order that seek to reignite social
16 animosities, reverse improvements in race relations, divide the

1 nation and foment hatred, classism and ethnic eradication; and

2 WHEREAS, The white supremacist and neo-Nazi message of racial
3 and social intolerance has led to senseless acts of violence
4 that continue to terrorize members of ethnic and religious
5 minority communities; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the Senate urge law enforcement to pursue the
7 criminal elements of these domestic terrorist organizations and
8 all other violent extremism in the same manner and with the same
9 fervor used to protect the United States from other
10 manifestations of terrorism; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Senate strongly condemn, denounce and
12 oppose the totalitarian impulses, violent terrorism, xenophobic
13 biases and bigoted ideologies that are promoted by white
14 supremacists and neo-Nazis.