



# City of Ann Arbor

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## Legislation Text

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### Resolution to Declare Ann Arbor a Compassionate Community

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor is comprised of citizens having diverse ideological racial, religious, national, social and economic backgrounds;

Whereas, We recognize that, while we have shown our desire to create a community where there is hope and promise for all of our citizens through support of such things as affordable housing/housing equity analyses, expansion of public transit resources and financial support for human services, some of our neighbors continue to experience poverty, hunger, homelessness, racial bias and other debilitating problems;

Whereas, We believe that we can become more effective in dealing with these issues by intentionally creating a community wide context of compassion, as described in the attached "Charter For Compassion", calling for meaningful activation of fair, just and caring principles relating to public policies and private actions on the part of all people while recognizing their religious, ideological, social and national differences; and

Whereas, Adopting the Charter is an active and visible affirmation of the City of Ann Arbor's values and intent to demonstrate support for the principles of universal justice and respect, and will be instrumental in attracting a broad participation of diverse individuals and groups;

RESOLVED, That the City Council hereby affirms the goals of Charter for Compassion and declares the city of Ann Arbor to be a Compassionate Community.

Sponsored by: Council Members Warpehoski and Anglin

**As Amended by Ann Arbor City Council on September 8, 2015**