



CENTRE REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

JOINT STATEMENT ON
DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

WHEREAS, the Centre Region COG recognizes that hate, discrimination, and bias have no place in our Centre Region community; and,

WHEREAS, one of our shared priorities is for the Centre Region to be welcoming to everyone; and,

WHEREAS, the Centre Region municipalities joined together to form the Council of Governments to jointly undertake and formulate solutions to our common needs in a cooperative manner; and,

WHEREAS, the Centre Region Council of Governments provides a means of communication, cooperation, and joint action in the interest of the municipalities, individually and collectively; and,

WHEREAS, it has been proven that building organizations that are diverse, equitable, and inclusive create more functional and productive organizations; and,

WHEREAS, we believe effective diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives must go beyond rhetoric; and


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the leaders of the Centre Region Council of Governments join our voices and stand together to denounce hate and bias in our community, particularly the recent vandalism at Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza, and we encourage the municipalities of the Centre Region and the leadership of the Centre Region COG to collaborate to support diversity, equity and inclusion efforts to build a stronger Centre Region.

RESOLVED this *twenty-sixth day of April 2021*, meeting in regular session.

Attest:


Eric Norenberg
Executive Director, Centre Region COG

By:


Dennis Hameister
Chair, Centre Region COG