

City of Albany
Common Council

Resolution

Council Members Conti, Anane, Balarin, Doeschate, Fahey, Farrell, Flynn, Frederick, Hoey, Igoe, Johnson, Kimbrough, Love, and O'Brien, introduced the following, which was approved:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 36.41.21(MC)

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL CONDEMNING THE BLATANTLY HOMOPHOBIC REMARKS OF ALBANY COUNTY LEGISLATOR GEORGE LANGDON AND REAFFIRMING THE COMMON COUNCIL'S SUPPORT FOR THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2021, Albany County Legislator George Langdon made blatantly homophobic remarks before a "Return to Liberty Under the Constitution" seminar in Voorheesville, New York, an event hosted by an individual who was arrested for his participation in the January 6, 2021 insurrection at the U.S. Capitol; and

WHEREAS, these comments demonstrate a gross prejudice against LGBTQ+ individuals everywhere, including those in the City of Albany; and

WHEREAS, these comments, which suggests that LGBTQ+ individuals should be banished to a deserted island for extinction, are deeply offensive and unbecoming an elected official holding an office of public trust; and

WHEREAS, this body, through the years, has consistently affirmed its support for the LGBTQ+ community's inclusion and equality within our city; and

WHEREAS, all residents of Albany County deserve and have the right to be treated with dignity and respect, and Mr. Langdon's remarks fan the seeds of division and hatred and should be soundly rejected and condemned; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Langdon has indicated his plan to resign as a member of the County Legislature as a result of these remarks, it is still appropriate that this body condemn those statements and reaffirm its solidarity with the LGBTQ+ community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this body formally condemns and rejects the prejudicial and dangerous remarks of Mr. Langdon and reaffirms its support for the LGBTQ+ community; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be formally transmitted to the Pride Center of the Capital Region, In Our Own Voices, Albany Damien Center, Alliance for Positive Health, and House of Precise.



I, Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk of the City of Albany, do hereby certify that the resolution set forth in this document is true and accurate and was adopted at a meeting of the Albany Common Council on 5th day of April 2021.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the City of Albany, this 9th day of April 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danielle Gillespie".

Clerk of the Common Council