

RESOLUTION NUMBER 17-005

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING
KETCHUM AS A WELCOMING CITY**

WHEREAS, since the founding of Ketchum, the community has welcomed miners, shepherders, and ski enthusiasts from all over the world, all looking for the opportunity of better life and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, foreign-born Ketchum residents are a vital part of our community, bringing fresh perspectives and new ideas, starting businesses, and contributing to the vibrant diverse community that we all value; and

WHEREAS, Ketchum, has a strong tourist economy relying on foreign-born workers and visitors to support the community and provide services; and

WHEREAS, it is the public policy of the city of Ketchum to foster the employment of all individuals in accordance with their abilities. Every individual has the right to work and earn wages through gainful employment. Discriminatory practices are detrimental because they impede the social and economic progress of a city by preventing all of the city's citizens from contributing to the cultural, spiritual, social, and commercial life of the community. The contributions of all the citizens of the city of Ketchum are essential to the city's growth, vitality, and prosperity.

WHEREAS, the city of Ketchum promotes that all persons be treated fairly and equally, and fair and equal treatment be provided under the law to all people of the city of Ketchum. The denial of fair and equal treatment is detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the city's citizens, and damages the city's economic well-being.

WHEREAS, the city of Ketchum has affirmed our commitment to welcoming all individuals through past statements and actions, knowing that discrimination impedes the social and economic progress of a city by preventing all of our residents from fully contributing to the cultural, spiritual, social, and commercial life of our community; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of all individuals in the city of Ketchum are essential to the City's growth, vitality, and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Comprehensive Plan, states that the city of Ketchum values a strong sense of community and strives to be a place with a strong economy, vibrant downtown, diverse options for housing and a varied demographic of people who live, work and visit Ketchum.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

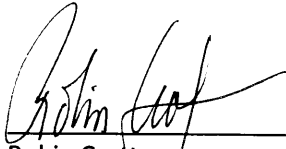
The city of Ketchum is committed to being a Welcoming City and creating a community where all residents feel welcomed, safe, and able to fully participate in, and contribute to, the city's economic and social life. We urge all residents of Ketchum to do their part in reaching out and welcoming all those who live in, work in, and visit our wonderful community.

This Resolution will be in full force and effect upon its adoption this twenty first (21st) day of February, 2017.



Nina Jonas, Mayor

ATTEST:



Robin Crotty
Interim City Clerk