

CITY OF FERNDALE

RESOLUTION

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Moved by Councilwoman Weber, seconded by Councilman Covey, to adopt the following Resolution:

August 6, 2005, is the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima, Japan; and  
August 9, 2005, is the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the bombing of Nagasaki, Japan; and

In August, 1945, when these catastrophes were inflicted upon the people of Japan, hundreds of thousands of people were killed instantly by the blast, fire and radiation effects of just two nuclear bombs - with health consequences that continue to this day; and

More than 30,000 nuclear weapons exist in the world today, including tens of thousands left over from the cold war between the U.S. and the former Soviet Union. As long as nuclear weapons exist, cities around the world will be vulnerable to instantaneous devastation on a scale exceeding even that experienced by Japan; and

The proliferation of nuclear weapons to Israel, India, Pakistan and North Korea and the possible acquisition for production of nuclear weapons by non-state actors has only increased the danger that nuclear weapon use or a full scale nuclear war will take place either deliberately or by accident; and

Mayors from around the world, led by the Mayors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki with survivors of the 1945 atomic destruction, joined together in New York City in the spring to demand worldwide abolition of nuclear weapons; and

August 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> have been designated as *National Days of Remembrance and Action*. Concerned citizens will gather at the four nuclear weapons sites in the U.S. (In CA, NV, NM and TN) calling for an end to the development and production of nuclear weapons; and

The U.S. Conference of Mayors unanimously adopted by acclamation a Resolution for the elimination of nuclear weapons, recognizing that weapons of mass destruction have no place in a civilized world. (June 28, 2004)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Ferndale extend appreciation to the Mayors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki for their leadership in working for the elimination of nuclear weapons.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Ferndale expresses thanks to the Japanese survivors of nuclear devastation for working for reconciliation, not retaliation, and the City of Ferndale supports the work of the U.S. Conference of Mayors for a nuclear free world.

RESOLVED FURTHER, the City of Ferndale urges her citizens, employees and businesses to work for the non-violent resolution of conflict in our homes, neighborhoods, workplaces and business community, and the Mayor and Council direct the City Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to all communities in south Oakland County.

AYES: Council Members Covey, Galloway, Lennon, Weber; Mayor Porter  
NAYS: None  
MOTION CARRIED

I, Karen Pedro, City Clerk of the City of Ferndale, certify that this is a true and compared copy of a Resolution duly made and passed by the Ferndale City Council at a meeting held July 25, 2005.

  
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Karen Pedro, City Clerk