

## Social Justice Resolution on Dismantling Racism

**Because** Unitarian Universalists affirm:

- The worth and dignity of every person; and
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations; and
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;

**Whereas**, an 8<sup>th</sup> UU Principle was initially proposed in 2013 and has subsequently been adopted by multiple UU congregations in the U.S.;

**Whereas**, the 2018-2022 Congregational Study Action Initiative (CSAI) of the UUA states that “racism is fundamental to U. S. social systems” and “the nation’s most toxic export. Shaping policies and practices that do profound harm to the Earth and all living things;”

**Whereas**, the 8<sup>th</sup> UUA Principle states:

“We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.”

**Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED** that the Boise Unitarian Universalist Fellowship adopt this 8<sup>th</sup> UU Principle, as written.

**Be it further RESOLVED** that the Boise Unitarian Universalist Fellowship commits to the following action steps to be a prominent and faithful voice of witness, advocacy, and protest, if necessary, in the public sphere:

Working with congregational and community partners to:

1. Increase awareness and understanding of racial identity and systemic racism,
2. Increase awareness and engagement of opportunities, individual and collective, to achieve racial justice.