

TOWN OF WAYLAND

41 COCHITUATE ROAD WAYLAND, MASSACHUSETTS 01778

2022 Race Amity Day Proclamation

WHEREAS racism is a major barrier to the achievement of a just and peaceful world and a blight to human progress; and,

WHEREAS the United States has made great progress in racial justice in the past century, but still faces many challenges in the 21st century; and,

WHEREAS our national motto, *E Pluribus Unum* (from many, one), points us to move beyond mere tolerance to genuine friendship across racial lines; and,

WHEREAS starting in 2011 the National Center for Race Amity, on the second Sunday in June, began celebrating *The Other Tradition* – the history of cross racial, cross cultural friendships that brought people together to advance equity and social justice; and,

WHEREAS in 2016 the Massachusetts legislature passed a bill, signed into law by Governor Baker, making the second Sunday in June always "Race Amity Day" in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS in 2022 each town in the Commonwealth is encouraged to celebrate "Race Amity Day" in its own way;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wayland Select Board reaffirms its recognition, in perpetuity, of the second Sunday in June as "Race Amity Day" and encourages the citizens of Wayland to celebrate the racial, cultural, and religious diversity of our community on Sunday, June 12, 2022.

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