

Given the recent events in the Metro Vancouver area, including Richmond and the Fraser Valley, with the distribution of racially biased and aggressive print materials promoting racist White Supremacist and Alt-Right movements; and

Given the ethnically diverse nature of the WestCoast Baptist Association and its family of Churches, and the communities these churches serve; and

Given the desire of our WestCoast Baptist Association and its family of churches to do Gospel ministry, and love and serve all people in the name of Jesus, regardless of their ethnic identity or background;

Be it resolved that on this day, Saturday, November 19, 2016, the WestCoast Baptist Association hereby denounces these aggressive and racially biased acts that promote fear and hatred; and pledges to promote love, respect, intercultural understanding, and unity within its churches and in the communities they serve with the gospel based on the sacred belief that all people are equally made in the image of God.