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# PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the YWCA is committed to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all; and
- WHEREAS,** on the last Friday of April each year, hundreds of thousands of people all across the United States of America gather with the YWCA to spread awareness about the root causes of racism and encourage conversations among diverse communities; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Seattle aligns with the YWCA mission and works to eliminate racial inequity through internal practices, citywide initiatives and partnerships with other institutions and the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The YWCA believes that individuals and whole communities must be engaged in a conversation about racism and speak out collectively, with one voice, and pledge to stand against racism; and
- WHEREAS,** Seattle residents value initiatives that will end race-based disparities and make the world a more equitable, inclusive and dignified place for all to live;

*NOW, THEREFORE I, EDWARD B. MURRAY, MAYOR OF SEATTLE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 24, 2015 TO BE, IN OUR CITY*

## **Stand Against Racism Day**



Mayor Edward B. Murray  
City of Seattle

