

February 27, 2017

Re: Resolution 17-019

Mayor Zak & City Council,

Speaking for myself alone, I was greatly encouraged by Mr. Trump's statement in the early hours of election day when his victory was apparent. He appeared conciliatory, positive and a bit introspective ... all qualities of leadership necessary for binding the country together after a very divisive election. I was cautiously hopeful.

Things haven't worked out so well so far and now we have this resolution (17-019) in front of us. It shouldn't be necessary and I'm neutral on its passing. I believe we need a shift in our behavior as a nation.

I have a fairly simple but very challenging suggestion for everyone, including the President and his Administration ... and particularly all of us here in Homer. Rotary International has a guiding "test" which to me sums up what we ALL should be striving for in daily life, both locally, nationally, and internationally. Can we all just try to adopt this basic guiding principle in our daily American lives?

### ***The Four-Way Test***

*The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotarians recite it at club meetings:*

### ***Of the things we think, say or do***

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?*
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?*
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?*
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?*

Thank you,  
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