

STATEMENT of Anti-Racism: Board of Directors

The Board of Directors for the Burlington Downtown Business Association celebrates diversity and we call upon our entire community to join us in rejecting racism in all of its forms.

Our Downtown business community and its governing Association benefits from the rich diversity of our citizens. It is a source of strength that adds to the social and economic well-being of us all.

We have a collective responsibility to create progress toward a just and equal future.

This statement is but one step in the journey we are on. We acknowledge that words alone are not enough and that actions must follow.

Our pledge is to continue to pursue both short and long term strategies to combat racism affecting our community. To seek to educate and re-educate ourselves and our membership through tools like diversity workshops. We are committed to listening, hearing, and learning from the voices of those who are being systematically excluded and disadvantaged.

Our Association stands in solidarity with other community leaders against racism and discrimination in all forms. We share the obligation to call out, stand-up, and raise our voices against injustice of all types that jaundice the health of Burlington and its citizens.