

**ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County
RESOLUTION NO. 11-01-02**

Support for the City of Peace and Nonviolence Coalition

WHEREAS, there are four dynamics in the recovery process for people with behavioral health issues: psychological well-being, physical well-being, social well-being, and spiritual well-being; and

WHEREAS, peace and non-violence are part of a social justice agenda with no religious overtones; therefore, the ADAMHS Board can embrace peace and non-violence in a non-sectarian way without reference to a particular denomination; and,

WHEREAS, Paramjit Singh, a member of the Cleveland the City of Peace and Nonviolence (CCPNV) Coalition, contacted William M. Denihan to discuss the coalition and the support of the ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County; and,

WHEREAS, the coalition is a group of individuals, families, organizations and religious institutions in the Greater Cleveland area that seeks to explore, practice and promote Mahatma Gandhi's and Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s philosophy of using nonviolence for righting wrongs and establishing a culture of humanity, justice, peace and nonviolence for the prosperity of the area; and,

WHEREAS, through unique and innovative partnerships with members, this coalition strives to harness a collective power to:

- Lead and facilitate events which will accelerate the on-going mission of CCPNV.
- Enroll residents of Greater Cleveland to virtually sign a Non-Violence pledge.
- Advocate to effect public policy and opinion that will make Cleveland safe and prosperous.
- Serve members of the coalition by understanding their needs and providing them support to create win-win solutions.
- Measure the progress being made to accomplish its mission; and,

WHEREAS, the CCPNV Coalition has developed the following Pledge of Peace and Nonviolence that is posted on a Cyber Wall at www.clevelandpeople.com:

PLEDGE OF PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE

By placing my name on this Cyber Wall of Peace and Nonviolence, I pledge to:
Treat others the way I would like to be treated.
Stand against hate, injustice and intolerance.
Commit to being truthful and loving.

Work in my daily life for justice, equality, human rights and righting wrongs using nonviolence methodology...
the ideals for which Mahatma Gandhi and Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. gave their lives

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County supports the CCPNV Coalition efforts and hopes that the City of Cleveland can truly become a City of Peace.
2. The ADAMHS Board authorizes William M. Denihan, CEO, to sign the ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County on to the Cyber Wall Pledge/Declaration of Nonviolence located at www.clevelandpeople.com to show our support for the CCPNV Coalition.

On the motion of Ericka Thoms, seconded by David E. Biegel, Ph.D., the foregoing resolution was adopted.

AYES: I. Bailey, D. Biegel, R. Blue, C. Brown, T. Falcone, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, P. Jones,
R. Romaniuk, E. Thoms, M. Warr

NAYS: R. Folbert, H. Snider

ABSTAIN: R. Kemm

DATE ADOPTED: January 26, 2011