

CITY OF GREELEY, COLORADO

ORDINANCE NO. [Insert Number]

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE CITY OF GREELEY A SANCTUARY CITY FOR TRANSGENDER YOUTH AND ADULTS

WHEREAS, the City of Greeley values diversity, equity, and inclusion as essential components of a thriving community; and

WHEREAS, transgender individuals, including youth and adults, are integral members of the Greeley community and deserve respect, safety, and access to resources without fear of discrimination; and

WHEREAS, recent legislative and social challenges across the nation have disproportionately targeted transgender individuals, creating barriers to healthcare, education, and public accommodations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Greeley is committed to upholding the dignity and rights of all individuals, regardless of gender identity or expression;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREELEY, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Declaration of Sanctuary Status

The City of Greeley hereby declares itself a sanctuary city for transgender youth and adults, affirming its commitment to their protection, inclusion, and well-being.

Section 2. Prohibition of Discrimination

No city employee, agency, or contractor shall:

1. Deny access to city services or facilities based on gender identity or expression.
2. Cooperate with efforts by external entities to target individuals for their gender identity, including compliance with subpoenas or warrants requesting information about transgender individuals solely based on their identity, unless required by federal law.

Section 3. Support for Community Resources

The City will:

1. Partner with organizations that provide healthcare, legal, housing, and mental health support for transgender residents.

2. Develop training programs for city employees to ensure understanding and implementation of inclusive practices.

Section 4. Public Safety Assurance

The Greeley Police Department shall prioritize the safety of all residents and will not participate in discriminatory enforcement practices targeting transgender individuals.

Section 5. Severability

If any section, subsection, or provision of this ordinance is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining sections shall remain in full force and effect.

INTRODUCED AND APPROVED ON FIRST READING: [Insert Date]

APPROVED ON SECOND READING AND ADOPTED: [Insert Date]

SIGNED:

[Mayor's Name], Mayor of Greeley

ATTEST:

[City Clerk's Name], City Clerk