

**BOROUGH OF PROSPECT PARK  
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1818**

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENTION  
OF THE BOROUGH OF PROSPECT PARK TO  
ENCOURAGE, SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATE IN  
ANTI-BULLYING INITIATIVES IN DELAWARE  
COUNTY AND THE BOROUGH OF PROSPECT  
PARK**

**WHEREAS**, having civil, peaceful and safe schools, businesses and other community environments and settings are necessary for the well-being, health, happiness and productivity of individuals. Therefore, the reasonable expectation is that individuals in the Borough of Prospect Park, Pennsylvania will conduct themselves in a manner in keeping with their levels of development, maturity, and demonstrated capacities with a proper regard for the rights and welfare of others. Let it be clear, there is a reasonable expectation that all individuals will treat all other the way they want to be treated because it is their right; and,

**WHEREAS**, bullying and cyber bullying is conduct that is intentional and often persistent and that is reasonably considered to be hostile, and abusive. Let it be clear, there is usually an imbalance of strength or power (physical and/or psychological) between the bully and the bullied person; and,

**WHEREAS**, bullying, because it is one of the most common forms of covert (hidden) and overt (open) violence, it is reasonably determined that sexual harassment and bullying are often interchangeable in definition and behavior, particularly among teenagers and adults; and,

**WHEREAS**, leaders of educational, profit and/or non-profit organizations and businesses, and services will demonstrate the belief that education, training/instruction, and implementation of reasonable policies and procedures are vital, and they will not wait for a crisis before fulfilling this obligation; and,

**WHEREAS**, Prospect Park Borough contains a diverse spectrum of religious, political and ethnic groups embodying the best of American values; and,

**WHEREAS,** there are still many instances where individuals and groups fail to live compassionately and thus we acknowledge we must recommit to, and broaden, this effort in all places of the community; and,

**WHEREAS,** we acknowledge our role and responsibility to make compassion a clear, luminous and dynamic force on our Borough and through educational efforts and deliberate actions;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Prospect Park that the Borough of Prospect Park will strive to insure that each citizen is valued and respected, with no exceptions. We recognize the need for collective action in the matter of this resolution;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough of Prospect Park will peacefully encourage, support and participate when possible with anti-bullying foundations, initiatives and programs within the Borough of Prospect Park and Delaware County.

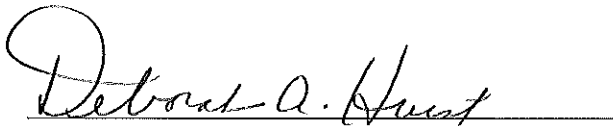
**ADOPTED** by the Borough of Prospect Park on this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

BY:




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Borough Council President

ATTEST:



Deborah A. Hurst  
Borough Secretary

APPROVED:

  
Jeff Harris  
Mayor