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**RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A HEARING ON ROOT CAUSES OF HATE**

**WHEREAS,** The City of Chicago, the State of Illinois, and the United States of America are besieged by increasing levels of hate and discrimination which often lead to violence, and

**WHEREAS,** According to the FBI, there were 8,263 hate crime incidents in the United States in 2020, with a 32% increase in race/ethnicity based hate crimes from 2019 to 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** The United States and the City of Chicago in particular are plagued by an epidemic of gun violence; and

**WHEREAS,** It is clear that hate and discrimination, among other factors such as the prevalence of guns, are significant causes of violent incidents; and


**WHEREAS,** This is evidenced by mass shootings fueled by hate are becoming more common such as the tragedies in Buffalo, New York and Charleston, South Carolina; and

**WHEREAS,** There are many causes of hate such as social, cultural, environmental, economic and mental health factors; and

**WHEREAS,** The City Council should explore ways that the City can counter the root causes of hate, discrimination, and violence; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this twentieth day of July, 2022, do hereby call upon the Committee on Health and Human Relations to hold a subject matter hearing on ways to reduce hate and biased-motivated violence; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That we call upon relevant officials from the Commission on Human Relations and the Department of Public Health, to testify at the hearing.

  
WALTER BURNETT, JR.  
Alderman, 27th Ward