

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA  
CEASING BUSINESS ACTIVITIES WITH FIRMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE  
REPUBLICS OF AZERBAIJAN AND TURKEY, AND BOYCOTTING THE LOCAL  
SALE OF PRODUCTS PRODUCED IN OR BY COMPANIES ASSOCIATED WITH  
THE REPUBLICS OF AZERBAIJAN AND TURKEY**

**WHEREAS,** The Armenian people were subjects of a systematic and premeditated genocidal campaign, which began at the hands of the Ottoman government, through 1919 and continued under the Kemalist government of the Republic of Turkey from 1920 through 1923, whereby 1.5 million Armenian men, women and children were slaughtered or marched to their deaths in an effort to annihilate the Armenian Nation in the first modern genocide, while thousands of kidnapped children and young women were forced to change their Armenian names to Turkish names and convert to Islam, and hundreds of thousands more were subjected to ethnic cleansing during the period of the modern Republic of Turkey from 1924 through 1937;

**WHEREAS,** These crimes against humanity also had the consequence of permanently removing all traces of the Armenians and other targeted people from their historic homelands, and enriching the perpetrators with the lands and other property of the victims of these crimes, including the usurpation of several thousand churches;

**WHEREAS,** The Republic of Turkey has inexplicably and adamantly denied the occurrence of the crimes against humanity committed by the Ottoman and Young Turk rulers for many years, and continues to do so a full century since the first crimes constituting genocide occurred, despite the Turkish government's earlier admissions and the overwhelming proof of genocidal intent;

**WHEREAS,** On September 26, 2020, Azerbaijan's military forces launched a deadly and unprovoked attack against the Republic of Artsakh, including that country's capital city, Stepanakert; and that attack has resulted in the loss of innocent civilian lives;

**WHEREAS,** During a time when the United Nations had called for a ceasefire around the world due to the COVID pandemic, Azerbaijan instead renewed warfare, violating its ceasefire agreement with Armenia on multiple occasions, and causing death and destruction;

**WHEREAS,** Turkey fully supported Azerbaijan's invasion and threatened Armenia, and in this context, the Azeri invasion once again illustrated generations of pan-Turkish nationalist commitment to erasing the Armenian population and culture from the world;

**WHEREAS,** This vicious crime against humanity is just one more example of the ongoing hate, intolerance, and violence directed against the Armenian people which is certain to repeat itself if gone unrecognized;

**WHEREAS** The sale of goods produced by the Republics of Azerbaijan and Turkey are imported and sold by merchants located with the jurisdiction of the City of Glendale;

**WHEREAS**, The City of Glendale currently holds investments in its portfolio of companies which have operations in the Republic of Turkey;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA, THAT:**

1. The Glendale City Council once again stands in solidarity with the people of Armenia and Artsakh in condemning Azerbaijan's aggression and directs the Glendale City Administration to end any known existing relationships with firms associated with lobbying on behalf of the governments of Azerbaijan or Turkey, as well as developing a means to identifying such conflicts prior to engaging in any new contractual relationships.
2. Further, the Glendale City Council encourages local businesses to be vigilant and avoid the sale of products made in Azerbaijan or Turkey in order to prevent funneling profits to authoritarian governments that violate human rights and further bringing attention to the humanitarian offenses inflicted by the leaders of both countries.
3. Moreover, the Glendale City Council calls upon the City's Treasurer to refrain from any future investing in companies that have substantial operations in the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Republic of Turkey until the violent aggression of Artsakh ceases, and until there is official recognition of the Armenian Genocide by the Republic of Turkey.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA     )

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES     )

I, ARAM ADJEMIAN, City Clerk of the City of Glendale, certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Glendale, California, at its regular meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, and that same was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

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City Clerk