

Dear Town Manager, Administrator or Clerk

In recognition and deep appreciation of your municipality's adopting the Declaration of Inclusion, you are cordially invited to a Celebratory Event on Wed, May 10th from 7 to 8:30 pm at College Street Congregational Church in Burlington (265 College St.), or as a hybrid event on Zoom (Register [HERE](#)).

As of April 8, 2023, 108 towns and cities (out of 247), home to over 64%% of Vermont's population, have adopted a Declaration of Inclusion. Please join with these other municipalities as we applaud this first step and explore how to follow up with even more concrete actions. The event is sponsored by The Declaration of Inclusion Initiative and Vermont Interfaith Action (VIA), a federation of over 70 member and affiliated congregations across the state working to effect systemic change on issues of social justice. Scores of people from VIA's congregations across the state will be in attendance, and Gov. Phil Scott has been invited. We expect the press and members of the Scott Administration to attend as well.

Please let us know if you or someone else from your town or city will be attending by filling out this [Google form](#). We look forward to celebrating your willingness to make Vermont the most welcoming state in the country!

Sincerely,

[Vermont Interfaith Action](#)

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