

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-0028

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OREM, UTAH,
IN SUPPORT OF DISPLAYING THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL
MOTTO "IN GOD WE TRUST" IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
LOCATED WITHIN THE OREM CITY HALL BUILDING

WHEREAS, "In God We Trust" became the United States National motto on July 30, 1956, after the United States led the world through the trauma of World War II; and

WHEREAS, this motto has been displayed on the currency of the United States of America for over one hundred and fifty years (since 1864); and

WHEREAS, the same inspiring slogan is engraved above the entrance to the Senate Chamber, as well as above the Speaker's dais in the House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2011, the United States House of Representatives reaffirmed "In God We Trust" as the official motto of the United States, supporting and encouraging the public display of the national motto in all public buildings, public schools, and other government institutions; and

WHEREAS, the Utah State Legislature in 2002 adopted the requirement that the national motto, "In God We Trust", be displayed in one or more prominent places within each public-school building; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, the Utah State Legislature designated the "In God We Trust" license plate as one of the standard issue license plates, available for residents of Utah; and

WHEREAS, in both war and peace, these words have been a profound source of strength and guidance to many generations of Americans; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to display this patriotic motto in the Council Chambers as a way to solemnize public occasions and express confidence in our society.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OREM, UTAH, as follows:

1. The City Council of the City of Orem does hereby determine that the historic and patriotic words of our national motto, "In God We Trust", shall be permanently and prominently displayed in the City of Orem Council Chambers at City Hall.
2. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED and APPROVED this 24 day of October, 2023.


David A. Young, Mayor

ATTEST:


Teresa McKittrick, City Recorder



COUNCILMEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
David A. Young	☒	☐	☐
Jeff Lambson	☒	☐	☐
Debby Lauret	☒	☐	☐
Tom Macdonald	☒	☐	☐
LaNae Millett	☒	☐	☐
Terry Peterson	☒	☐	☐
David Spencer	☒	☐	☐