

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Resolution

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia, held in the Board Auditorium in the Fairfax County Government Center of Fairfax, Virginia, on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting, the following resolution, was adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the practice of Falun Gong became immensely popular in China in the late 1990s, with multiple estimates placing the number of practitioners at upwards of seventy million (70,000,000); and

WHEREAS, Falun Dafa was introduced in Fairfax County in 1996, with many volunteer-run practice sites both in the County and across the Commonwealth, teaching Virginians easy-to-learn, enjoyable exercises free of charge; and

WHEREAS, in June 2016, the United States House of Representatives unanimously passed House Resolution 343, condemning the systemic, state-sanctioned organ harvesting from practitioners of Falun Gong and other prisoners of conscience; and

WHEREAS, there has been little media coverage of these issues; and

WHEREAS, Fairfax County residents should be fully informed of the possible source of an organ before they make the decision to engage in organ transplant tourism in China, and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors desires to assist in raising that awareness.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors condemns the Chinese Communist regime's persecution of Falun Gong, harvesting of organs from prisoners of conscience in China, and use of prisoners of conscience for slave labor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that County staff is directed to make efforts to inform the residents and medical community servicing Fairfax County about the risks of traveling to China for organ transplants to help prevent local citizens from becoming unwitting accomplices in state-sponsored forced organ harvesting from prisoners of conscience; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Governor of Virginia, Virginia's General Assembly, members of Virginia's congressional delegation and two US Senators, and the Virginia Department of Health.

Adopted this 5th day of October, 2021.

A Copy – Teste:



Jill G. Cooper
Clerk for the Board of Supervisors

