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| Seal2  **CHARLES D. BAKER**  Governor  **KARYN E. POLITO**  Lt. Governor | The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  Executive Office of Public Safety and Security  One Ashburton Place, Room 2133  Boston, Massachusetts 02108  Tel: (617) 727-7775  TTY Tel: (617) 727-6618  Fax: (617) 727-4764  www.mass.gov/eopss | **TERRENCE M. REIDY**  Secretary |

**MEETING MINUTES TASK FORCE ON HATE CRIMES**

**Date: March 21, 2022**

**Time: 2:00PM-4:00PM**

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**Agenda Items:**

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

Co-Chair Kraft welcomed the Task Force and called the meeting to order.

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|  |  | **Present** | **Absent** |
| **1** | Co - Chair Terrence Reidy | **x** |  |
| **2** | Co - Chair Josh Kraft | **x** |  |
| **3** | Nan Sauer | **x** |  |
| **4** | Ana Javier | **x** |  |
| **5** | Yusufi Vali | **x** |  |
| **6** | Margaret Rwaramba | **x** |  |
| **7** | Chief Kelly Nee | **x** |  |
| **8** | Officer Israul Marrero | **x** |  |
| **9** | Anna Johnson | **x** |  |
| **10** | Timothy Moran | **x** |  |
| **11** | Genevieve Nadeau | **x** |  |
| **12** | Emily Todisco | **x** |  |
| **13** | Anne Gilligan | **x** |  |
| **14** | Rep. Brandy Fluker | **x** |  |
| **15** | Senator Eric Lesser | **x** |  |
| **16** | Bethany Li | **x** |  |
| **17** | Tonomey Coleman | **x** |  |
| **18** | Dr. Margery Davies | **x** |  |
| **19** | Chief Jody Kasper |  | **x** |
| **20** | Bishop Talbert Swan II | **x** |  |
| **21** | Sheriff Frank Cousins | **x** |  |
| **22** | Rep. Steven Howitt | **x** |  |
| **23** | Gina Kwon |  | **x** |
| **24** | Robert Trestan | **x** |  |
| **25** | Dara Kaufman | **x** |  |
| **26** | Dr. Nawal Nour |  | **x** |
| **27** | DA Anthony Gulluni |  | **x** |

**EOPSS Staff:** [Suleyken Walker](mailto:Suleyken.Walker@mass.gov), Anjeza Xhemollari and Amy Putvinskas

1. **Roll Call**

Roll call was taken, which confirmed there was a quorum. Co-Chair Kraft informed the Task Force that they will be meeting on the third Monday of every 3rd month in accordance with the statute.

1. **Introduction of Conflict-of-Interest Law**

Deputy General Counsel Suleyken Walker introduced herself as the Task Force’s legal counsel. Atty. Walker reminded the Task Force of the Conflict-of-interest laws and the training that must be completed.

1. **Introduction of Open Meeting Law**

Atty. Walker reminded the members to complete the Open Meeting Law Training and to submit certification of completion to EOPSS Staff.

1. **Review of the work of the Governor’s Task Force on Hate Crimes**

Co-chair Kraft provided the Task Force with a brief history of the creation and work that the Task Force has accomplished thus far.

1. **Open Discussion**

Members of the Task Force introduced themselves.

Secretary Reidy mentioned the potential presentation by MSP Fusion Center to provide an overview that demonstrates to the Task Force what is occurring within the Commonwealth and surrounding states. R. Trestan would like the topic of Extremists to be included in future discussion as it would be valuable information. M. Davies stated that the topic of bias-incidents should be included for the Task Force awareness as these incidents typically do not rise to the level of hate crime when reported. T. Moran would like to review statistics relative to the Task Force. Secretary Reidy included in discussion the possibility of reviewing the Resource Guide that has been published to further discussion. Co-Chair Kraft mentioned the possibility of former Subcommittee Chairs to present the work they have accomplished previously. Y.Vali would like to know the communities in which Hate Crimes are being under-reported as that knowledge can facilitate discussion and further education to those communities. A. Johnson added that most individuals in those communities do not know how to report a Hate Crime or what qualifies as a Hate Crime. A. Javier inquired about the location of the past recommendation because there are some concerns that the information was not properly disseminated. A. Gilligan responded that the recommendations were published in the Commissioners update and it is available to school administrators, principles, parents etc.

1. **Topics not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours of the meeting**

There were no topics discussed.

1. **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned.