



September 16, 2020

To the Iron County Board of Supervisors:

The Iron County Youth Leadership Council and the community partners below respectfully request your review and approval of the attached "Statement of Community Integrity and Respect."

As we all understand, Iron county's economic vitality is highly dependent on strong tourism and healthy families. Our county proudly welcomes people from all walks of life to enjoy our community assets, asserting on the county website that "It is truly a place for everyone." The county seat of Hurley boasts that it is "A Place where everyone can play," and the Town of Mercer offers "tension free lifestyles for all ages." With the Board's approval of this statement, we tie together our communities' consistent messages to show our county's unwavering commitment to welcoming all.

The past several months have been very trying for our country. COVID-19 and widespread protests have revealed unprecedented division and unrest. We believe in the importance of standing for peace and equality, and we strongly believe in our community's ability to come together in these difficult times. We are excited and hopeful that together, with you as our leaders, we will take advantage of this opportunity to reflect on our values and assert our power as a community. By putting forth this statement, we lead by example our commitment to respecting differences and working together despite them.

Sincerely,

Iron County Youth Leadership Council and community partners:

