

Shinagawa Declaration of Human Rights

Human beings have the right to freedom and equality by nature. Any countries or any individuals should not infringe on these rights for any reason.

After many trials and sacrifices, the Constitution of Japan and the Universal Declaration on Human Rights express the universal principle of mankind and clearly state that the respect of human rights is the obligation of the international society.

Today in our country we are conscious that discrimination and prejudice are still deeply rooted in our living. Discrimination against Buraku people, disabled people, females, indigenous people and foreigners cause them much pain and anxiety.

We are convinced that discrimination brought by other human beings should be stopped by our reason and conscience.

Shinagawa City is trying to realize a peaceful and hearty society that respects human beings. Shinagawa declares itself as a “Human Rights City”, and we will strive to dissolve all forms of discrimination and swear to promote the thought of respecting all human rights.

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