

## **2022 BENGALI HINDU GENOCIDE RESOLUTION** **REQUEST EMAIL TEMPLATE**

Dear (MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER/COMMISSIONER LAST NAME OF OFFICIAL),

I am a resident of in (CITY/STATE). I am also a member of the [Hindu American Foundation \(HAF\)](#), a national nonprofit and non-partisan advocacy organization for Hindu Americans, and I serve as ( ), at the local (HINDU TEMPLE/ORG NAME & LOCATION).

On behalf of your Hindu American constituents, I would like to request that the (CITY OF/COUNTY OF/STATE OF) recognize the 1971 Bengali Hindu Genocide and contributions of Bengali Hindu American citizens to our community. On March 25, 2022 Hindu Americans across our (CITY/COUNTY/STATE) will gather to commemorate the tragic events that occurred during the 1971 Bangladesh Liberation War, where according to U.S. archives approximately 2-3 million people were killed, over 200,000 women were raped, and over 10 million were displaced, many of which would eventually find refuge here in the United States.

As a resident of this community for ( ) years, it would bring immense pride to know that our (CITY/COUNTY/STATE) recognizes the contributions of Hindu Americans here to our vibrant and diverse social fabric and that our (CITY/COUNTY/STATE) stands in solidarity with members of our community who have been impacted by these events.

Attached to this email please find a sample resolution for your convenience. Please feel free to use it and adjust it according to the protocols of our great (CITY/COUNTY/STATE).

We hope that we can have this proclamation officially granted by your office before Friday, March 25, 2022, the official commemoration day, if possible or shortly thereafter as April is Genocide Awareness Month. I and members of our community are happy to meet with you to discuss the importance of remembering this often overlooked and forgotten genocide. Should your office be able to facilitate this request, is it possible to announce this at a public hearing? Other community members and I would appreciate the opportunity to attend, in person or virtually, a ceremonial presentation of the resolution.

Please contact me at (YOUR EMAIL AND/OR PHONE NUMBER) if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

(YOUR FULL NAME & ADDRESS)