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### SAFE PLACE INITIATIVE

Today, June 15, at 11 a.m., at Out of the Closet, 3400 26th Avenue South, join Mayor Kriseman and the St. Petersburg Police department in launching a new SAFE PLACE initiative.

We will invite local business owners to display rainbow decals that show their willingness to allow employees to call police and help victims of hate crimes who seek refuge in their building.

The business would display the decal on the front door or window. The 4"X6" decal is small, but sends a powerful message that hate crimes will not be tolerated in our community.

The SAFE PLACE concept was originally designed by the Seattle police department to assist the victims of LGBTQ hate crimes, but its spirit and symbolism is inclusive of all hate crimes.

There is a SAFE PLACE link on the St. Petersburg Police website where businesses can request a decal be sent to them.