

RESOLUTION

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Condemning the January 2017 Presidential Executive Orders on Immigration Enforcement and Refugees.

Whereas, with the exception of Indigenous people and people who were enslaved or otherwise forced to migrate to the United States, all Minnesotans are immigrants or descended from immigrants who came to the United States; and

Whereas, Minneapolis celebrates and supports immigrants, asylees, and refugees who have made their home in our City and thanks them for their contributions to the culture and economy of Minneapolis; and

Whereas, Minneapolis is home to the largest Somali-American community in the United States and is proud to be the first city in the country to designate a sister-city relationship with Somalia; and

Whereas, Minneapolis has supported the rights of all residents through such initiatives as its Separation Ordinance, which separates local police work from that of federal immigration authorities, and became the first City in the United States to declare support for President Barack Obama's DREAM Act policy (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)); and

Whereas, on December 7, 2015, Donald J. Trump, as a candidate for the Republican nomination of president of the United States, announced his intention "for a total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States"; and

Whereas, on January 27, 2017, President Donald J. Trump signed an executive order entitled "Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry Into the United States," which bars all people from the Muslim-majority countries of Iraq, Syria, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, and Yemen; and

Whereas, on January 25, 2017, President Donald J. Trump signed an executive order with its stated purpose as barring any federal funds not mandated by law from any jurisdiction designated by the United States Attorney General as a sanctuary jurisdiction; and

Whereas, on January 25, 2017, President Donald J. Trump also signed an executive order that directed federal funds to be used to build a wall on the southern border of the United States with Mexico; and

Whereas, elected Council Members and the Mayor of Minneapolis have sworn an oath to uphold the United States Constitution and laws of the United States, the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota, and the ordinances of the City of Minneapolis;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the City of Minneapolis hereby condemns President Trump's Executive Order banning immigration from Muslim-majority countries as **contrary to internationally recognized human rights standards**, as an open act of discrimination against Muslims, as a violation of the United States Constitution, and as an illegal act in violation of federal laws and directives;

That the City of Minneapolis objects to attempts to impose federal control over local jurisdictions' ability to represent, protect, and keep safe the residents in their cities as unconstitutional attempts to commandeer local resources and coerce the City to enforce federal administration policy related to immigration laws;

That the City of Minneapolis objects to the diversion of federal funds to build a wall on the southern border of the United States with Mexico and objects to the executive orders of January 25, 2017, as antithetical to our American values and offensive, humiliating, and race-based attacks against the country of Mexico and its people; and

That the City of Minneapolis is resolved in urging the members of the Minnesota Congressional delegation to actively condemn, oppose, and object to the executive orders issued January 25 and 27, 2017, on immigration and refugees.