



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SUPPORT FOR IMMIGRANTS AND REFUGEES WHO SEEK OPPORTUNITY OR ASYLUM IN THE UNITED STATES ACCORDING TO ESTABLISHED LEGAL PROCESSES AND THOSE SWORN TO UPHOLD SUCH LEGAL PROCESSES

WHEREAS, we are a nation governed by due process and equal protection, where all people of every color, religion, legal status, gender, sexual orientation, or social class are treated fairly and are subject to the same legal process; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that a nation is only as legitimate as its resolve to enforce the laws that its People establish through democratic process; and

WHEREAS, we affirm that in a nation that uniformly applies its laws necessarily requires that all people within that nation follow and respect those laws equally; and

WHEREAS, we emphatically welcome all immigrants and refugees to the United States who follow the legal processes for immigration or asylum established by the People of the United States; and

WHEREAS, we express our sincere support and gratitude to all local, state, and federal law enforcement officers who are tasked with the often-thankless job of enforcing the laws established by the People through their democratic process; and

WHEREAS, our community understands that without the respect for democratically-established institutions and the dedication of law enforcement to support those institutions, our nation would relinquish its legitimacy and become a nation governed by mere emotional fiat.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors affirms our County's support for the rule of law and those tasked with supporting the administration of justice, as well as our County's commitment to preserve democratically-established legal process in our community and throughout the nation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 28th day of August, 2018 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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