

**RESOLUTION NO. 2626**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE CITY**

WHEREAS, the City of Wilsonville has and will continue to encourage all Wilsonville residents to thrive and advance in all aspects of community life, including education, employment, recreation, City services, and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, persons of all races, color, national origin, immigration or refugee status, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, mental, emotional, and/or physical ability, age, or economic status all collectively contribute to the health, well-being, economy, and general welfare of the Wilsonville community as families, neighbors, workers, and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, discrimination against any group of persons can negatively impact the health, well-being, and general welfare of the City by leading to community disengagement, diminished economic and educational opportunities, increased stigmatization, and diminished physical, mental, and emotional health; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the inherent worth and dignity of all persons and believes all should be treated with compassion and respect regardless of race, color, national origin, immigration or refugee status, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, mental, emotional, and/or physical ability, age, or economic status; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has received a significant amount of public testimony expressing concern that recent changes to federal immigration policies are generating fear and anxiety among members of the City's diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the City's commitment to fairness and equity, as recently expressed in the January 5, 2017 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Proclamation, Wilsonville hereby reaffirms a strong commitment to social equality and justice;

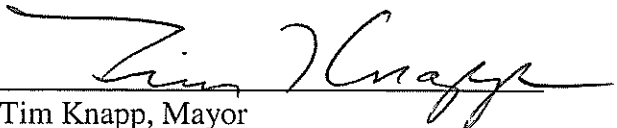
NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City of Wilsonville is an inclusive City that has and will continue to welcome the collective contributions of all persons, honoring and respecting people of every race, color, national origin, immigration or refugee status, heritage, culture,

religion, sex, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, mental and/or physical ability, age, or economic status.

2. The City will continue, in a manner consistent with the laws of the United States of America, the State of Oregon, and the City of Wilsonville, to prohibit the use of City funds, personnel, and/or equipment for the enforcement of federal immigration laws. This Resolution shall be interpreted and executed in a manner consistent with ORS 181A.820 and with 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644. In the event this Resolution directly conflicts with either state or federal law, such directly conflicting state or federal law must control.
3. The City of Wilsonville will ensure all City services are provided regardless of immigration status. Further, City staff will not ask for or otherwise seek out an individual's immigration status as a condition of providing City services, unless the provision of such services has a legal requirement to obtain such information.
4. The City desires that all of its residents feel safe to utilize all City-owned or sponsored facilities, including the parks, Community Center, library, and SMART transit, without fear of discrimination or federal immigration enforcement or detention.
5. The Wilsonville City Council encourages all Wilsonville residents to unite and work together to promote kindness and understanding in our shared community, rejecting hatred, bigotry, and divisiveness, as this community strives to protect the freedoms held dear and granted to all by the United States Constitution. While this City Council may pass this inclusivity resolution in the hope that it is inspirational, the only true measure of its success will be in how all members of the community elect to treat each other day in and day out.
6. This Resolution becomes effective upon the date of adoption.

ADOPTED by the Wilsonville City Council at a regular meeting thereof this 1st day of May, 2017, and filed with the Wilsonville City Recorder this date.

  
Tim Knapp, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Sandra C. King, MMC, City Recorder

SUMMARY OF VOTES:

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| Mayor Knapp             | Yes |
| Council President Starr | Yes |
| Councilor Stevens       | Yes |
| Councilor Lehan         | Yes |
| Councilor Akervall      | Yes |