



RESOLUTION NO. 2018-08
INTRODUCED 06/27/2018
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RESOLUTION
A CALL FOR HUMANE AND SENSIBLE IMMIGRATION POLICIES

WHEREAS, The Mayor of the Town of Washington Grove, Maryland has called a Special Town Council Meeting on June 27, 2018, under the provision of the Washington Grove Town Charter, Section 9, as registered in the Annotated Code of Maryland;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Washington Grove, Maryland strongly supports the human rights of all migrants and asylum-seekers to the United States, condemns efforts to treat undocumented entrants as criminals, demands governmental practices that acknowledge both the vulnerability of children accompanied or unaccompanied by adults across our borders and the obligation to protect them from all forms of harm, and

HEREBY, calls for the immediate reunification of all children already separated from their parents and family members and sent to detention facilities across the United States by the U.S. Government while their mothers and fathers remain in federal detention awaiting prosecution on charges of illegal entry to our country and,

HEREBY, calls for alternatives to a policy of zero-tolerance and immediate detention of adults illegally entering or seeking asylum in the U.S., and to mitigate harms suffered by their children who now face either separation from parents, or living in detention with them for indefinite periods of time, and

HEREBY, calls for immediate protections for the “dreamers”, the young adults brought across U.S. borders years ago, as children by parents who lacked documentation, and calls for clear and reasonable pathways for them to become legal citizens, and

HEREBY, calls for immediate restoration of protections for those seeking asylum or refugee status in the United States from wars, gang-based crime, domestic violence, and extreme forms of corruption, and

HEREBY, calls for humane and sensible immigration policies that recognize that we are an immigrant nation informed by tolerance and respect for all.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, duly adopted, shall be sent to President Donald J. Trump, U.S. Senators Benjamin L. Cardin and Christopher Van Hollen, Jr., and U. S. Representative John K. Delaney, and

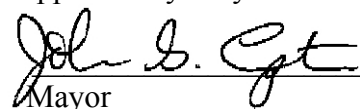
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and unanimous approval by the Town Council attending the Washington Grove, Maryland Special Town Council meeting on June 27, 2018 and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Attest

Town Clerk

Date

Approved by Mayor and Town Council

 6/27/18

Mayor Date