

Resolution

Of the
City of Easton, Pennsylvania

No. -2017

Date: February 8, 2017

Introduced by: Roger Ruggles

Co-sponsored by Kenneth Brown, James Edinger, Peter Melan, David O'Connell, Sandra Vulcano, Salvatore J. Panto Jr.

Whereas a sonnet written by Emma Lazarus which appears on a plaque mounted inside the pedestal of the Statue of Liberty states in part, *"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"*; and

Whereas as Americans we have had a long history of welcoming immigrants; and

Whereas these immigrants have made significant contributions to the United States; and

Whereas these immigrants are for most Americans are our parents, grandparents, great grandparents or great great grandparents; and

Whereas many immigrants currently reside within the United States who are making contributions to society but are undocumented; and

Whereas the issue of undocumented immigrants has long been an unresolved problem.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Easton, Pennsylvania endorses the following:

- 1) The federal government should recognize the contributions to society of the vast majority of undocumented immigrants.
- 2) The federal government should develop a clear and easily managed pathway for these undocumented immigrants to become United States citizens in a timely manner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be sent to President Donald Trump, Senators Casey and Toomey, Representative Cartwright and to the following City Councils with the request that these City Councils consider adopting

the content of this Resolution and send their Resolution to the appropriate federal legislators and that they request an additional ten (10) City Councils to consider adopting the content of this Resolution with the intent that each adoption of the Resolution by a City Council will generate an additional 10 requests:

Philadelphia City Council
580 City Hall
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Albany Common Council
City of Albany
City Hall
24 Eagle St.
Albany, NY 12207

Lima City Council
50 Town Square
Lima, OH 45801

St. Louis Board of Aldermen
City of St. Louis
1200 Market St.
City Hall, Room 230
St. Louis, MO 63103

Portland City Council
City Hall
1221 SW Fourth Avenue
Portland, OR 97204

Sacramento City Council
Sacramento City Hall
915 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Las Vegas City Council
Las Vegas City Hall
495 S. Main St.
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Austin City Council
City of Austin
P.O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-1088

Orlando City Council
One City Commons
400 South Orange Ave.
Orlando, FL 32801

Madison Common Council
210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Room 417
Madison, WI 53703

Santa Fe City Council
200 Lincoln Avenue, Room 215
P.O. Box 909
Santa Fe, NM 87504-0909

City Commission
City Commission Office
City County Building, Room 323
316 N. Park
Helena, MT 59623

Mobile City Council
P.O. Box 1827
9th Floor, South Tower
Government Plaza
Mobile, AL 36633-1827

Denver City Council
City and County Building
1437 Bannock St., Rm 451
Denver, CO 80202

Kansas City
City Council
City Hall, 414 E. 12th St.
Kansas City, MO 64106

Columbus City Council
90 West Broad St.
Columbus, OH 43215

Providence City Council
City Hall
25 Dorrance Street
Room 310
Providence, RI 02903

Fairfax City Council
10455 Armstrong St.
Fairfax, VA 22030

Atlanta City Council

55 Trinity Ave.
Atlanta, GA 30303

Little Rock Board of Directors
500 W. Markham St.
Little Rock, AK 72201

City of Lincoln
City Council
555 S. 10th St., Room 111
Lincoln, NE 68508

This is to certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the City Council on the above date.

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Mayor