On February 23, 2017, the Newark City Council adopted the attached resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 10,598

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK DECLARING THE CITY OF NEWARK A WELCOMING CITY

WHEREAS, the City of Newark is committed to building a neighborly community that is inclusive, hospitable, and welcoming;

WHEREAS, the City of Newark seeks to help people, families, and institutions thrive and to value the contributions of all members of the community including newcomers and immigrants;

WHEREAS, the City of Newark is a diverse, multi-ethnic community that celebrates and embraces its many cultures; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark is committed to continue enhancing its cultural fabric, economic success, global competiveness and overall prosperity for all those who choose to make their home in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark promotes the health, safety, and success of all; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark promotes inclusiveness, mutual respect, and cooperation throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the Newark Police Department, in keeping with this philosophy, does not actively participate in the enforcement of federal immigration laws, which are under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the Newark Police Department, like many other police departments in California, focuses their time on responding to and investigating high-priority crimes and not the enforcement of federal immigration laws; and

WHEREAS, the Newark Police Department has no desire to undermine community trust, and deter law-abiding individuals from reporting crimes or coming forward as witnesses; and

WHEREAS, the Newark Police Department serves all members of the public equally; and

WHEREAS, for all of the foregoing reasons, the City Council of the Newark would like to declare the City of Newark a Welcoming City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Newark hereby declares the City of Newark a Welcoming City.