

**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has prospered throughout its history from the extensive socioeconomic, political, and cultural contributions made by immigrants from every part of the globe; and*

*WHEREAS, we welcome all who enter this country to escape social, religious, political or economic oppression, or in pursuit of its founding promise of a brighter future; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Olympia is dedicated to the values of inclusivity, diversity and hope; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has committed to securing the freedom, rights and dignity of all people who reside here; and*

*WHEREAS, as a declared “Sanctuary City,” the City of Olympia continues to demonstrate its abiding commitment to protecting all immigrants residing here; and*

*WHEREAS, we welcome the advocates for immigrants and refugees from throughout Washington who will be arriving in our city to celebrate “Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Day,” Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at the State Capitol; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Olympia City Council does hereby proclaim the 5th day of February, 2020 as*

**IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE ADVOCACY DAY**

*in the city of Olympia and urge all residents to join immigrant advocates to petition our elected state representatives to enact legislation to provide state and local government protections to all immigrants and their families in the state of Washington.*

**SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2020.**

**OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL**

*Cheryl Selby  
Mayor*