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## City Council

### Special Recognition - Proclamation Recognizing Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Day

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**Title**

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**Recommended Action**

**Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee.

**City Manager Recommendation:**

Proclaim February 5, 2020, as Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Day

**Report**

**Issue:**

Whether to proclaim February 5, 2020, as Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Day.

**Staff Contact:**

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**Background and Analysis:**

Organized by Strengthening Sanctuary Alliance, a day-long gathering of immigrant and refugee rights advocates at the Capitol Campus in Olympia is planned for February 5, 2020. Advocates will be meeting with legislators to voice support for key immigrant rights legislation. There will be a rally on the Capitol steps at noon that day.

Strengthening Sanctuary Alliance is a local organization created in 2016. The organization is dedicated to learning skills and working to ensure that the Olympia community is a welcoming supportive place for immigrant and refugee neighbors, friends, co-workers and family members.

In December 2016, the Olympia City Council passed a resolution declaring the City of Olympia a Sanctuary City.

**Attachments:**

Proclamation