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A RESOLUTION, declaring that the City of Wenatchee is committed to being a welcoming city and creating a community where all feel welcomed, safe, and able to fully participate in, and contribute to, our City’s economic and social life.

WHEREAS, the City of Wenatchee was shaped by people of diverse origins and our history is one of welcoming those seeking the opportunity for a better life; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wenatchee has welcomed those of us seeking new homes, safety, freedom, and opportunity; and

WHEREAS, all are a vital part of our community, bringing fresh perspectives and new ideas, starting businesses, and contributing to the vibrant diverse community that we all value; and

WHEREAS the City of Wenatchee has been engaged in Our Valley/What’s Next since its beginning, a collaborative and values-based approach to improving this place we call home for years to come; and

WHEREAS this effort has led to the creation of Our Valley-Our Future that has allowed us to develop Community-based Action Teams formed around six themes: How We Prosper, How We Plan & Grow, How We Sustain Our Environment, How We Live and Care for One Another, How We learn and Create, and How We Participate and Decide; and

WHEREAS, the Wenatchee Police Department, as an integral point of contact in our community with diverse populations, desires to build and retain solid relationships between all members of our community, including those of our immigrant communities; and
WHEREAS, the City of Wenatchee has affirmed our commitment to welcoming all individuals through past statements and actions, knowing that discrimination impedes the social and economic progress of a city by preventing all of our residents from fully contributing to the cultural, spiritual, social, and commercial life of our community; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of all individuals in the City of Wenatchee are essential to the City’s growth, vitality, and prosperity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WENATCHEE that the City of Wenatchee is committed to being a Welcoming City and creating a community where all feel welcomed, safe, and able to fully participate in, and contribute to, our city’s economic and social life. We urge all people of Wenatchee to do their part in and contribute to our city’s economic and social life. The City will provide leadership and resources through the efforts of the Diversity Advisory Council in raising community awareness, reaching out to build partnerships, and providing a forum for discussion of community concerns and needs. We urge all people of Wenatchee to do their part in reaching out and welcoming all those who live in and visit our great city.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WENATCHEE at a regular meeting thereof this 27th day of April, 2017.

CITY OF WENATCHEE, a Municipal Corporation

By: [Signature]
FRANK KUNTZ, Mayor

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ATTEST:

By: ____________________________
    TAMMY STANGER, City Clerk

APPROVED:

By: ____________________________
    STEVE D. SMITH, City Attorney

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