

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The month of June is Immigrant Heritage Month to honor and celebrate the diverse traces of immigrant heritage in all of us; and

WHEREAS, According to the most recent census report, nearly 16 percent of Ramsey County residents identify as foreign-born; and

WHEREAS, Immigrants strengthen our economy, contribute to the vibrancy of our communities and are part of a tapestry of diverse cultures that make our county unique; and

WHEREAS, The traditions, customs, life experiences, wisdom, hard work and civic participation of immigrants strengthen and enrich our county, state and nation; and

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic underscored what was already known to be true, that immigrants and those who serve immigrant families are invaluable partners and leaders in our community; and

WHEREAS, We honor the significant roles that immigrants and their families, especially Ramsey County employees, continue to play in improving our systems, processes and policies to advance racial equity; Now, Therefore, Be It

PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners declares June 2021 as Immigrant Heritage Month in recognition of the contributions and sacrifices that immigrants and families of immigrants have made to be here today; and Be It Further

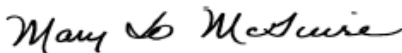
PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners celebrate immigrants whose heritage and stories of resilience are woven into the fabric of this country's history, present and future.



Toni Carter, Board Chair, District 4



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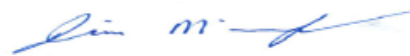
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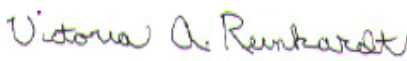
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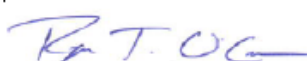
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