

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: *The City of Charlottesville is committed to building a welcoming and neighborly atmosphere in our community, where all people, including recent immigrants, are welcome, accepted, and integrated; and*

WHEREAS: *The City of Charlottesville, Virginia, recognizes that cities that proactively welcome immigrants and take steps to ensure their successful integration will be strategically positioned as globally competitive, 21st century leaders; and*

WHEREAS: *City efforts and policies that promote full access for all, including recent immigrants, are crucial to individual and community success; and*

WHEREAS: *Policies that negate opportunities for contributions to our community in the fullest capacity hinder Charlottesville's prosperity and compromises our commitment to the American values here stated; and*

WHEREAS: *Fostering a welcoming environment for all individuals, regardless of race, ethnicity or place of origin, enhances Charlottesville's cultural fabric, economic growth, global competitiveness and overall prosperity for current and future generations;*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, *by the City Council of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the City of Charlottesville is a "WELCOMING CITY" and we encourage all our staff and our community to join us in welcoming immigrants in our midst.*

Signed and sealed this 5th day of October, 2015.

Satyendra Singh Huja, Mayor
Charlottesville City Council