RESOLUTION NO. 1606

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, DECLARING LAKE FOREST PARK A WELCOMING, INCLUSIVE, AND SAFE COMMUNITY THAT SERVES AND PROTECTS ITS RESIDENTS, REGARDLESS OF THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS, NATIONALITY, NATIONAL ORIGIN, RACE, ETHNICITY, OR RELIGIOUS BELIEFS, GROUNDED IN THE PRINCIPLES OF THE “CHARTER FOR COMPASSION”

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2012, the Lake Forest Park City Council approved Resolution 1305, affirming the Charter for Compassion, declaring Lake Forest Park a participant in the Ten-Year Campaign for Compassionate Cities; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2016, the Lake Forest Park City Council reconfirmed the principles and values of its previous commitment to being a Compassionate City by reaffirming Resolution 1305; and

WHEREAS, the Charter for Compassion and Resolution 1305 call on citizens, government, and institutions to work together to embrace and apply compassionate solutions and to honor the inviolable sanctity of every single human being, treating everybody, without exception, with absolute justice, equity, and respect; and

WHEREAS, in the City of Lake Forest Park, all people, including immigrants, are valued contributors and are vital to our shared prosperity; and

WHEREAS, the strength and vitality of the City of Lake Forest Park comes from its rich diversity of cultures, experiences, and faiths; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Forest Park is committed to ensuring that all people be treated fairly and free from discrimination or targeting regardless of their immigration status, nationality, national origin, race, ethnicity, religious beliefs, or for other reasons; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Forest Park strongly condemns any act of harassment, bullying, intimidation, violence, or any other acts of hate, including those acts that are based on immigration status, nationality, national origin, race, ethnicity, or religious beliefs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park, as follows:
Section 1. The City Council declares Lake Forest Park a welcoming, inclusive, and safe community that serves and protects its residents regardless of their immigration status, nationality, national origin, race, ethnicity, or religious beliefs, grounded in the principles of the Charter for Compassion.

Section 2. The City of Lake Forest Park will not inquire about the immigration status, nationality, or national origin of any individual unless explicitly required by law. Federal civil violations of immigration laws are not enforced by the City of Lake Forest Park or its Police Department.

Section 3. The City of Lake Forest Park will not inquire into, or request specific documents (such as passports, alien registration or work permits), in order to ascertain a person’s immigration status for the sole purpose of identifying if a person has complied with federal civil immigration laws, unless explicitly required by federal or state law;

Section 4. The City of Lake Forest Park will not use city monies, facilities, property, equipment, or personnel to enforce, or assist in the enforcement or creation of any federal program requiring registration of individuals on the basis of religious affiliation, unless explicitly required by federal or state law;

Section 5. The City of Lake Forest Park will not use city monies, facilities, property, equipment, or personnel for the purpose of targeting or apprehending persons for violation of federal civil immigration laws, unless explicitly required by federal or state law; and

Section 6. City of Lake Forest Park employees or other personnel with arrest powers, will act consistently with federal law and will not arrest solely for violation of federal civil immigration laws, unless explicitly required by federal or state law. Specifically, the City of Lake Forest Park will not enter into any agreements with the federal government authorizing such authority under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. §1357).

Section 7. The City of Lake Forest Park will not hold an individual in custody after the period in which he or she would otherwise be released from custody unless the individual is subject to a warrant or probable cause for a new offense. Further, the City will not transfer an individual in custody to other jurisdictions except as required by law.

Section 8. CORRECTIONS. The City Clerk is authorized to make necessary corrections to this resolution including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener’s/clerical errors, references, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

PASSED BY A MAJORITY VOTE of the members of the Lake Forest Park City Council this 9th day of March, 2017.
APPROVED:

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Jeff Johnson
Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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Evelyn Jahed
City Clerk

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: March 6, 2017
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:
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