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## Protect Immigrants in Natick

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'Carol Virshbo' via Select Board <selectboard@natickma.org>

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Reply-To: Carol Virshbo <cvirshbo@comcast.net>

To: "Selectboard@natickma.org" <Selectboard@natickma.org>

I am writing to let you know that I support the Welcoming Community Policy proposal that would prohibit town employees from asking people about their immigration status and prohibit town resources from being used to assist ICE with deporting people, It is a thoughtfully crafted compromise that abides by state and federal laws.

This policy is critical for ensuring that our town employees are not conscripted into enforcing federal immigration law at a time when our resources are already limited. The policy also assures immigrant communities that they can utilize town resources, including reporting crimes to law enforcement, without fear of immigration repercussions.

This is important to me personally, because many immigrants in this area are here legally, seeking asylum and future citizenship, they are wonderful and caring people. They are hard working and provide diversity to our community and we need this policy in place to reflect Natick's inclusive values.

I strongly urge you to accept the draft policy as written.

Thank you for taking the time to read my wishes.

Carol Virshbo