



## **Salem Public Schools**

February 6, 2017

### **A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the Salem Public Schools are committed to every child by creating a safe and welcoming place where all children are valued, appreciated and encouraged;

WHEREAS, Salem Public Schools' teachers and leaders are here to support all students to reach their fullest potential;

WHEREAS, the Salem Public Schools welcome and celebrate the diversity of our students whose native language represents thirty-four countries and dialects;

WHEREAS, the Salem Public Schools are committed to educating every student regardless of citizenship and national origin; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, as MEMBERS of the SALEM SCHOOL COMMITTEE, WE DO HEREBY PROCLAIM, as follows:

That Salem Public Schools on this day, February 6, 2017, and forever in the future, shall continue to be a school district that welcomes and recognizes the value and contributions of all students, including immigrants, who strengthen our schools and our community.

FURTHER, We hereby express our support for the City of Salem adopting the attached Sanctuary for Peace Ordinance, which re-affirms our City's commitment to ensuring that municipal services shall be accessible to all residents, regardless of immigration status and specifically limits City employees from inquiring about immigration status in the performance of daily tasks, unless required to do so by Federal or State statute, regulation or court decision.

*Adopted by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed  
Salem School Committee  
School Committee Chambers, Collins Middle School  
February 6, 2017*