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Secretary Michael R. Pompeo
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street NW
Washington DC, 20520

Dear Secretary Pompeo:

This letter is in reference to Executive Order 13888, "On Enhancing State and Local Involvement in Resettlement."

As Mayor of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, I consent to initial refugee resettlement in Lincoln, Nebraska as per the terms of the Executive Order. I understand that my consent will be publicly released. This consent is valid unless or until withdrawn.

Lincoln has a long tradition of welcoming refugees into the fabric of our community. We value the richness they bring to our economic, cultural, and daily life. Our refugee populations provide valuable skills to Lincoln's workforce, help bring vitality to our neighborhoods, and enhance our city's vibrant culture. For these reasons and more, the City of Lincoln will continue to welcome refugees into our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Leirion Gaylor Baird".

Leirion Gaylor Baird
Mayor of Lincoln, Nebraska

CC:

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Carol T. O'Connell
Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration
U.S. Department of State