



City of Helena

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** *the City of Helena acknowledges the contributions of people who are immigrants to our community, economy, and well-being; and*
- WHEREAS,** *recent political attacks across the nation, including in the city of Helena, pose serious threat to the civil rights and liberties of immigrant communities; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the City of Helena is proud of its long and distinguished tradition of protecting the civil rights and civil liberties of its residents, and these rights and liberties extend to people who are immigrants; and*
- WHEREAS,** *in the face of policies that threaten these values, the City of Helena continues to stand for the dignity of immigrant communities; and*
- WHEREAS,** *immigrant communities in the City of Helena should be made aware of any service provided by a local organization, group, or entity aimed towards assisting people who are immigrants with legal services, community support, and other forms of aid; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the Hands on Global started the HARRT (Helena Area Refugee Resettlement Team) in 2022 in response to the fall of the government in Afghanistan; and*
- WHEREAS,** *since 2022 the HAART team has welcomed families from Afghanistan, Syria and the Democratic Republic of Congo into our community.*

NOW, THEREFORE, *be it resolved that the Commission of the City of Helena, Montana affirms its support of the assistance to immigrant communities provided by Hands on Global, an organization with longstanding ties to the City of Helena and whose mission is to serve the disadvantaged and displaced, hand-to-hand and heart-to-heart by providing holistic and healthcare support through partnerships and collaboration. The Helena City Commission further affirms its support for immigrants in our community and celebrates their contributions to our city.*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Helena, Montana, to be affixed this 4th day of August, 2025.

Wilmot Collins, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dannai Clayborn, Clerk of the Commission