

RESOLUTION NO. 17-85

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF RED BANK, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REAFFIRMING THE BOROUGH'S STATUS AS
A "WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY"**

Councilman Zipprich offered the following resolution and moved its approval:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Red Bank values its ethnic, racial, linguistic, and socio-economic diversity, and our diversity is a source of strength and Red Bank is committed to ensuring that all our residents can live and pursue their livelihoods in peace and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, regardless of where we are born, what we look like, how we love, or how we pray, we are Red Bank residents united in our efforts to build a stronger community; and

WHEREAS, the targeting of undocumented immigrants undermines our democracy and degrades our common humanity, but especially for the residents of a proud and richly diverse town such as Red Bank; and

WHEREAS, our honorable mayor is an immigrant, and our honorable elected councilpersons have family and friends who are immigrants; and

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional obligation of the Federal Government to enforce our nation's immigration law and border security; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Law Enforcement Directive 2005-1 already prohibits local law enforcement from making decisions, enforcing, or selectively enforcing our laws based solely upon a person's race or ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, Red Bank desires to foster the trust of and cooperation from the public, including members of our immigrant communities, in order to effectuate the Borough's goals in continuing to maintain Red Bank as a "Welcoming and Inclusive Community"; and

WHEREAS, Red Bank encourages the leadership in business, civic groups, community organizations, houses of worship, and other initiatives beyond this resolution in making and maintaining Red Bank as an open, welcoming, and inclusive place to live, work and play;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF RED BANK, THAT Red Bank is hereby declared a "Welcoming and Inclusive Community" wherein our vibrant and diverse community values the unique contributions of all of our residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT the Mayor and Council are proud to continue to promote Red Bank's status as a "Welcoming and Inclusive Community" as originally proclaimed by Resolution 07-111, adopted on May 16, 2007.

Seconded by Councilwoman Horgan and approved on roll call by the following vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Councilman Yngstrom	(X)	()	()	()
Councilman Zipprich	(X)	()	()	()
Councilwoman Horgan	(X)	()	()	()
Councilwoman Schwabenbauer	()	(X)	()	()
Councilman Taylor	()	(X)	()	()
Councilman Whelan	()	(X)	()	()
Mayor Menna	(X)	()	()	()

Dated: April 12, 2017