



City of Takoma Park, Maryland Mayoral Proclamation

IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH – JUNE 2019

WHEREAS, as a nation of immigrants, the United States of America has benefitted from the culture, ideas, skills, and abilities of those who have come here to work, to learn, and to find freedom and shelter; and

WHEREAS, in Takoma Park, we have many first and second generation immigrants as our neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the City has a long history of welcoming immigrants and working to build a caring, inclusive and strong community which celebrates its diversity; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, as more immigrants fear deportation and others may be viewed with mistrust, it is more important than ever to maintain our Takoma Park values.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATE STEWART, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, on behalf of the Council, residents, and staff, proclaim June as Immigrant Heritage Month in Takoma Park, and encourage all to come together and recommit ourselves to being an inclusive and welcoming community that upholds the right of all people to live with dignity and respect.

Dated this 5th day of June, 2019.

**Kate Stewart
Mayor**

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk