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Resolution #13

Affirming the Values of the Citywide Council for District 75 and New York City Public School to Welcome All Students

Sponsors: Christi Angel, Andrea Daniels, Jessica Rivera, Kristie Montalvan

WHEREAS, the Citywide Council for District 75 (CCD75) wholeheartedly embraces its commitment to creating and maintaining a safe and welcoming environment for all New York City Public Schools (NYCPS) students, staff, and families.

WHEREAS, it is the policy of NYCPS to provide equal educational opportunities without regard to national origin, alienage, citizenship status, actual or perceived race, color, religion, age, creed, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, gender (including actual or perceived gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy/conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth).

WHEREAS, NYCPS students, staff and their families originate from many different countries besides the United States, may have received temporary legal status under Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), may be undocumented and/or may live in mixed status households (meaning one or various members of the family can be undocumented while others have some kind of temporary or permanent status).

WHEREAS, all NYCPS staff and students are entitled to their First Amendment right to free speech, but harassment, discrimination, and bias-based harm have no place in NYCPS school communities and will not be tolerated.

WHEREAS, NYCPS reflects the diverse population of the world, which our schools celebrate in many ways.

WHEREAS, the 2024 Presidential Election may have caused fear, concern, confusion, sadness, anger, or anxiety in NYCPS staff, students, and their families.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CCD75 urges NYCPS to:

- 1. Work alongside union partners and immigration advocates to provide training and support for NYCPS students, staff and their families on immigrant rights, understanding various legal status, and the overall health and well-being of those affected.
- 2. Provide multi-language resources for NYCPS students, staff, and their families on legal assistance and immigrant rights.
- 3. Include in its legislative agenda advocacy at the state and federal levels advocacy for DACA, Temporary Protective Status, and Refugee Settlement Programs, as well as oppose any legislation for the creation of a Muslim registry system or eroding civil rights protections upon our communities.
- 4. Always welcome all staff, students and their families regardless of legal status.
- 5. Not provide assistance to the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in the enforcement of federal civil immigration law, and not permit ICE access to NY CPS facilities or personnel except in the rare instances in which NYCPS is provided with a criminal warrant.

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