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WHEREAS: In accordance with the City of Cambridge's Welcoming Communities Ordinance, it is not within the purview nor mandate of the City of Cambridge nor of Cambridge Public Schools to enforce federal immigration law or seek the detention, transfer or deportation of Cambridge residents for civil immigration purposes, nor should CPS resources be expended toward that end; and

WHEREAS: While the City of Cambridge's Welcoming Communities Ordinance sets this policy, this is an issue about which there is considerable anxiety among Cambridge Public Schools stakeholders; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That CPS will equally enforce the law and serve the public without consideration of immigration status, citizenship, national origin, race, or ethnicity; and

RESOLVED: That in accordance with city policy, CPS employees and officials may not inquire about the immigration status of any student, family member, community member, or any member of the public with whom they interact, except as required by 8 U.S.C. § 1373 or for the limited purpose of demonstrating the eligibility of a job applicant to work in the United States. No employee of the Cambridge Public Schools shall require a student or parent to provide information regarding their immigration or citizenship status to establish the student's residency in the district for enrollment purposes. If such information becomes known to an employee of the Cambridge Public Schools, such information shall not be kept or distributed, except as required by federal or state law or regulations, and shall have no bearing on the student's ability to register for school or the school's treatment of that student. Information collected regarding place of birth for the purpose of providing appropriate services to any student shall be used only for that purpose and not distributed further, except as required by federal or state law or regulation; and be it further

RESOLVED: That citizenship, immigration status, national origin, race, and ethnicity shall have no bearing on an individual's treatment by CPS employees or officials; and be it further

RESOLVED: That except in response to a judicial warrant or other court order, ICE agents shall not be allowed access to individuals in CPS facilities including district-provided transportation; and be it further

RESOLVED: That no officer or employee of the Cambridge Public Schools shall perform the functions of an immigration officer, whether pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1357(g) or any other law, regulation, or policy, whether formal or informal, except as required by federal or state law or regulations.