Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, IL

WHEREAS, our community's success depends on making sure that all Bloomington residents feel welcome; and

WHEREAS, foreign-born Bloomington residents are a vital part of our community – bringing fresh perspectives and new ideas, starting businesses, and contributing to the vibrant diversity that we all value; and

WHEREAS, we honor the spirit of unity that is bringing neighbors together and making our community the kind of place where diverse people from around the world feel valued and want to put down roots; and

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

WHEREAS, by recognizing the contributions that we all make to create a vibrant culture and a growing economy, we make our community more prosperous and more inclusive to all who call it home; and

WHEREAS, I, as Mayor, encourage the business leadership, civic groups, other government agencies and community institutions to undertake their own initiatives, beyond the spirit of this proclamation, to make Bloomington a welcoming place for new residents from other countries and an example for other communities; and

THEREFORE, IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Tari Renner, Mayor of the City of Bloomington, IL, do hereby proclaim the importance of the people of Bloomington joining together to build a stronger, more unified community that leverages the full potential of all who live here.

Tari Renner Mayor Cherry U. Lawson

City Clerk