RESOLUTION NO. 2552

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF HILLSBORO AS A SANCTUARY CITY AS DEFINED BY THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, the City of Hillsboro is an inclusive and welcoming place where we all work together to lift each other up, and we value and honor both long-time and newly-arrived residents who plant roots in our city and join us in our common effort to grow great things; and

WHEREAS, we are united in our belief that through hard work and care for one another, we can make our hometown an even better place to live. Our residents, business owners, and community partners reflect that commitment to improving our quality of life for each subsequent generation. Hillsboro remains a welcoming community for all, and that will not change; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hillsboro adheres to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 181A.820, which prohibits any law enforcement agency in the State of Oregon from using any resources “for the purpose of detecting or apprehending persons whose only violation of law is that they are persons of foreign citizenship present in the United States in violation of federal immigration laws;” and

WHEREAS, the City of Hillsboro defines “Sanctuary City” as a city that is committed to providing a safe community for all individuals, regardless of ethnicity or immigration status, and ensures that all members of our community are safe and can call upon public safety assistance whenever necessary, without being questioned about federal immigration laws and without fear of reprisal based solely on legal status, in accordance with Oregon State Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HILLSBORO RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. We declare the City of Hillsboro as a Sanctuary City, as a statement of unity for our community. The City of Hillsboro will continue to provide a safe community for all residents, regardless of immigration status, in accordance with ORS 181A.820.

Section 2. This resolution is effective immediately upon adoption.

Approved and adopted by the Hillsboro City Council at a regular meeting held on the 7th day of March 2017.

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Steve Callaway, Mayor

ATTEST: __________________________________
Amber Ames, City Recorder