

**TOWN OF PALMER LAKE  
EL PASO COUNTY  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 2024**

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING MIGRANT RESPONSE AND DECLARING STATUS AS A NON-SANCTUARY TOWN, PALMER LAKE, COLORADO**

**WHEREAS**, Palmer Lake is a statutory Town organized under Part 3 of Article 4 of Title 31 of the Colorado Revised Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palmer Lake, Colorado, pursuant to Colorado statute and the Town of Palmer Lake Municipal Code, is vested with the authority of administering the affairs of the Town of Palmer Lake, Colorado;

**WHEREAS**, a “Sanctuary Town” is a jurisdiction that limits cooperation with federal immigration authorities, limits or fails to provide information about immigration status and limits the length of immigration detainers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Palmer Lake believes in and is committed to securing the border, enforcing immigration laws to protect the community, and upholding the laws of the State of Colorado and the principles of the United States Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the Town of Palmer Lake have expressed concern over the transport of migrants entering the country illegally into the Town’s jurisdictional limits, which may compromise the safety, well-being, and resources of the Town and its residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALMER LAKE, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The Town hereby makes the following statements regarding migrant response:

- 1) The transport of migrants entering the country illegally into the Town may compromise the safety, well-being, and resources of the Town and its residents; and
- 2) The Town calls upon the President of the United States to take immediate and effective action to secure the border and enforce immigration laws to address the concerns of the community; and
- 3) The Town recognizes the importance of legal immigration and welcomes individuals to apply through the legal process; and
- 4) The Town encourages open dialogue and collaboration with state and federal authorities to address immigration concerns and work towards solutions that align with the well-being and safety of the community; and
- 5) The Town urges its residents to support and uphold the principles of legal immigration, respecting the laws and processes in place; and
- 6) The Town hereby declares itself a “non-sanctuary” town.

**Section 2. Severability.** If any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Resolution. The Board of Trustees hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution and each part or parts thereof irrespective of the fact that any one part or parts be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

**Section 3. Repeal.** Existing resolutions or parts of resolutions covering the same matters embraced in this Resolution are hereby repealed and all resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

**INTRODUCED, RESOLVED, AND PASSED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALMER LAKE ON THIS 22nd DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.**

TOWN OF PALMER LAKE, COLORADO

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Glant Havenar, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dawn A. Collins, Town Administrator/Clerk