December 3, 2019

Michael R. Pompeo
United States Secretary of State
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Secretary Pompeo:

This letter is in reference to Executive Order 13888, “On Enhancing State and Local Involvement in Resettlement.”

As Mayor of Roanoke, Virginia, I consent to initial refugee resettlement in Virginia as per the terms of the Executive Order.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Sherman P. Lea, Sr.
Mayor

C: The Honorable Donald J. Trump, President of the United States of America, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20500
The Honorable Ralph S. Northam, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Office of the Governor, 1111 E. Broad Street No. 3, Richmond, Virginia 23219
Carol T. O’Connell, Acting Assistant Secretary, United States Department of State, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, 2201 C Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20520
Alex Azar, United States Secretary of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20201
Robert S. Cowell, Jr., City Manager
Daniel J. Callaghan, City Attorney
Stephanie M. Moon Reynolds, City Clerk
IN THE COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

The 2nd day of December, 2019.

No. 41632-120219.

A RESOLUTION consenting to and supporting refugee resettlement in the City of Roanoke, Virginia.

WHEREAS, the President of the United States of America recently promulgated Executive Order 13888, entitled Enhancing State and Local Involvement in Refugee Resettlement, which instructs the United States Secretary of State and the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services to seek consent from local and state authorities prior to continuing ongoing refugee resettlement activities;

WHEREAS, the City Council affirms its support for the resettlement of refugees; and

WHEREAS, the City Council encourages other Virginia localities to join with the City of Roanoke in supporting a stronger national effort to resettle refugees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Roanoke as follows:

1. Roanoke City Council supports refugee resettlement in the City of Roanoke, Virginia.

2. The Mayor is authorized to send a letter consenting to refugee resettlement to the United States Secretary of State.

3. The City Clerk is directed to forward an attested copy of this resolution to the United States Secretary of State, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Honorable Donald J. Trump, President of the United States of America, and the Honorable Ralph S. Northam, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

City Clerk.