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Hartford is a welcoming city. Connecticut is a welcoming state. We will remain that way.

We are a country of immigrants....a country of refugees. Whether from Ireland, Costa Rica, France, Ukraine, Canada, Mexico, Syria or any country across the globe; our families all hail from somewhere else.

Of the recent executive orders from the White House that appear to slam the gate on immigrants from predominantly Muslim nations, Governor Malloy responded this way:

I stand ready to work with the Attorney General's office to defend the constitutional rights of Connecticut individuals and communities. In Connecticut, we value diversity of thought, culture, and beliefs. We foster inclusive, welcoming communities. And our commitment to these ideals will not falter.

-Governor Dan Malloy

In the General Assembly, we will be looking into ways to protect all of our State's residents and prevent the federal government from violating the constitutional rights of our friends and neighbors.

Many of our neighbors in Hartford are recent immigrants, and the angry and fear-mongering tone from the White House is causing them real anxiety and concern. Let's resolve to continue to make Hartford a welcoming home for all of our neighbors.

Diversity is our strength. Kindness is our currency. Acceptance is our way. We are all Hartford.