

Proclamation

Declaring we are a welcoming and safe community and affirming humanity, dignity and constitutional principles

Whereas the city of Garibaldi is committed to providing a safe community for all people regardless of their ethnicity, place of origin, or immigrations status; and

Whereas the City of Garibaldi is a diverse community, founded on the unceded lands of the Tillamook people and made up of immigrants, descendants of immigrants, and indigenous Americans, all of whom – both residents and visitors – are part of our economy; and

Whereas being a port and a Coast Guard city, Garibaldi depends upon and deeply appreciates the presence of diverse federal state, and county agencies, who have for many years protected and served the public while respecting relevant laws, constitutional rights, and due process; and

Whereas it has come to public attention that, in some locations in the country, certain agencies responsible for enforcement of immigration laws under pressure from quotas and political considerations have on occasions adopted excessively aggressive and even unlawful tactics, leading to widespread fear, undermining public trust, and preventing law-abiding residents from otherwise participating in civic life; and

Whereas these violations of civil rights have led to avoidable family separations, injuries and deaths, and to the denigration of our great county's reputation for freedom, equality, and respect for the rule of law.

Now, Therefore, we the Councilors and Mayor of the City of Garibaldi, hereby

1. Reaffirm that our city is dedicated to the safety and well-being of all residents and visitors; and
2. Support the rights guaranteed to both immigrants and citizens by the Constitution of the United States of America and the State of Oregon, including the rights to peacefully assemble, dissent, and exercise free speech, and to due process of law whenever suspected of an offense; and
3. Call upon all federal agents to carry out their missions lawfully and in mutual respect with the communities they serve and protect, following the rules and procedures – as required by the Constitution, relevant laws, and court decision – which apply to all law enforcement officers throughout the country.

In Witness, Whereof, and with the consent of the Common Council of the City of Garibaldi, I herewith set my hand on this _____ day of September 2026.

Linda Bade, Mayor