



## **WEDGEWOOD STATEMENT ON IMMIGRANT RIGHTS**

On Sunday, August 10th, Wedgewood proudly voted unanimously on a proposal affirming our support for the immigrant community.

*“Wedgewood believes that all immigrants, regardless of their status, deserve to be treated with dignity and respect. We condemn the use of dehumanizing language, such as “alien” or “illegal.” We reject the deployment of paramilitary masked police forces with limited training and accountability that terrorize our immigrant communities. We strongly oppose the racist targeting of individuals based on their skin color or language. Wedgewood calls on our political representatives to redirect funds from militarizing the border to be used to increase the staffing of immigration courts and lawyers. This will allow every individual to be afforded the constitutional right to challenge their detention before a judge in a timely fashion. We consider seizing of individuals and imprisoning them without trial in foreign or domestic concentration camps to be a criminal act, and call for those responsible to be prosecuted. We condemn the deportation of individuals to countries that are suffering from war, starvation or rampant lawlessness. We advocate for a path to citizenship for the millions of immigrants living and working in the US.”*

Call to Action: We challenge you this week to reach out on behalf of our immigrant community. Contact the CMS school board about their recent to allow Ice to enter buildings, to speak with or arrest a student or staff member. Contact our state representatives about the bills that were just overridden to allow more cooperation between ICE and las enforcement. Contact all our representatives in DC.

Also remember to support our local immigrants any way that you can. Buy flowers and fruits and vegetables from the street vendors. They are risking their lives to be there. And give lots of hugs to all the people in this community affected by these abusive policies.