

**RESOLUTION NO. 35 of 2019**

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION URGING AND REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO NOT ADOPT AN IMMIGRATION POLICY WHICH WOULD RESULT IN THE SEPARATION OF CHILDREN FROM THEIR PARENTS; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the current immigrations laws of the United States provide a basis for the separation of children from their parents when apprehended for entering the United States illegally;

WHEREAS, childhood development experts have overwhelming described this as detrimental to the normal development of children;

WHEREAS, regardless of whether those families are deported or granted entry to the United States, it is antithetical to a just and caring society that individuals in the custody of its government not be mistreated while in custody; and

WHEREAS, such detrimental treatment results in children being harmed while in the custody of our government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby urge and request the President of the United States to not adopt an immigration policy which result in the separation of children from their parents when apprehended on entering the United States illegally.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Clerk of the Commission to the President of the United States.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved as to legal form:

Parish Attorney

Date