

**Business of the Village Board
Village of Saranac Lake**

SUBJECT: Safeguarding Residents

Date: 9/8/2025

DEPT OF ORIGIN: Trustee Scollin

BILL # 126-2025

DATE SUBMITTED: 9/3/2025

EXHIBITS: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Village Attorney

Village Administration

EXPENDITURE
REQUIRED: \$0

AMOUNT
BUDGETED: \$0

APPROPRIATION
REQUIRED: \$0

SUMMARY STATEMENT

Resolution safeguarding residents and financial resources, and reaffirming existing policing policies

RECOMMENDED ACTION

MOVED BY: White SECONDED BY: Scollin

VOTE ON ROLL CALL: To amend

MAYOR WILLIAMS no

TRUSTEE BRUNETTE yes

TRUSTEE RYAN yes

TRUSTEE SCOLLIN yes

TRUSTEE WHITE no



RESOLUTION SAFEGUARDING RESIDENTS AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES, AND REAFFIRMING EXISTING POLICING POLICIES

WHEREAS, the Village of Saranac Lake respects, upholds, and values equal protection and equal treatment for all residents and visitors, regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, country of origin, or immigration status; and

WHEREAS, access to Village services is essential for all Village residents, and all individuals should have equal access to public safety, emergency services, and/or social assistance without fear; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Saranac Lake and the Saranac Lake Police Department are committed to providing the same opportunities, resources, and treatment to everyone, regardless of their background, characteristics, or beliefs, ensuring that everyone is treated in a just and unbiased manner, free from prejudice; and

WHEREAS, the resources of the Village of Saranac Lake are finite, and the funding of Village services through local property taxes is an issue of extraordinary concern; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government is best suited, and required by law, to enforce federal immigration laws; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Village of Saranac Lake Board of Trustees hereby assures its residents that it will not tolerate acts of hate, discrimination, or harassment against any individual in our community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Saranac Lake reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that all individuals, regardless of immigration status, have safe and equal access to public safety, emergency services, and social resources without fear of discrimination, harassment, or local law enforcement detention based solely on their race, gender, sexual orientation, country of origin, or immigration status.