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Dear Residents of Utica,

Utica has long been a melting pot for generations of immigrants and legal refugees, a city where diverse cultures come together to create a strong and vibrant community. As mayor, my duty is to serve every resident—whether your family has been here for generations or you have just arrived. Each and every one of you is important, valued, and will be protected.

During the presidential election, illegal immigration was a key issue, and President Trump committed to prioritizing border security. Across the country, we are now seeing these policies take effect, and the way they are conveyed through various media outlets has caused stress and concern for many.

I want to make it clear that my administration and our public safety offices deeply value our legal refugee and immigrant populations. We are committed to providing any support and protection available within our jurisdiction. We will work closely with government and community partners to ensure accurate information is shared. Additionally, we will advocate for clarity in distinguishing between those who have followed the legal immigration process and those who have not, while also upholding due process and treating all individuals with compassion.

Utica's strength has always been its people, and we will continue to stand together as a community.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Galime 1/29/2025

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