(2019.8.7) Endorsing the International Sanctuary Principles Statement. (Approved at Meeting for Worship for Business August 4, 2019)

The Albuquerque Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) is aware of the global extent of the displacement of persons and the often harsh responses of governments and residents of the countries to which displaced persons turn in their search for safety and security for themselves and their family members.

We join with faith communities and civil society organizations around the world in endorsing the fundamental principles of Compassionate Response, Due Process, Family Unity, Restorative Justice, and Civil Initiative expressed in the International Sanctuary Principles Statement and commit ourselves to work with all who share these principles for a just and humane response to migrants at our borders, within our countries and throughout the world.

In keeping with our on-going ministry on immigration and as expressed in the Intermountain Yearly Meeting minute on migration, we join the other endorsers of the International Sanctuary Principles Statement in calling on our governments and the governments of all countries receiving migrants in response to the current and ongoing international humanitarian and refugee crisis to embrace these principles and offer compassion, due process, respect for family and restorative justice to these our brothers and sisters.