Select Board Resolution

1. The Town of Lee, through its Select Board, is governed by the Constitutions of the United States and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The Select Board, consistent with the oaths taken by its members, follows that law. It aims to ensure that all persons living in, working in, or visiting Lee be treated fairly and equally regardless of national origin, race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability, immigration status, or political viewpoint.
2. The enforcement of the nation's federal civil immigration laws is solely the responsibility of the federal government, not the Lee Police Department or other Town departments. No Town police officer in Lee performs the functions of a federal immigration officer. The Select Board further states that the officers and other employees or volunteers of the Police Department affirm its current policy regarding immigration enforcement, including not inquiring as to a person's immigration status unless such status is directly material to a criminal investigation or is otherwise required by law.
3. Nothing in this resolution prevents Town police officers, employees, or officials from lawfully discharging their duties in compliance with applicable state or federal legal requirements. This is not limited to, compliance with 8 U.S.C. §1373 and compliance with a valid criminal warrant, court order from a court of competent jurisdiction, or other evidence of probable cause as required by the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution.
4. By this statement and resolution, the Lee Select Board affirms its commitment to the rule of constitutional law.

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