## **GIVE US HEARTS**

God of love and compassion: may we always recognize your spirit: in the refugee family, seeking safety from violence; in the migrant worker, bringing food to our tables; in the asylum-seekers, seeking justice for their families; in the unaccompanied child, traveling in a dangerous world.

Give us hearts that break open whenever our brothers and sisters turn to us.

Give us hearts that no longer turn deaf to their voices in times of need;

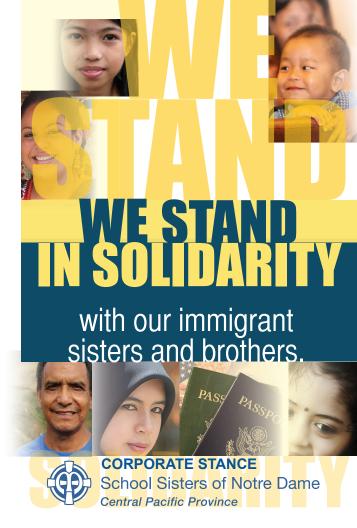
Give us eyes to recognize a moment for grace instead of a threat.

Give us voices that fail to remain silent but which decide instead to advocate prophetically.

Give us hands that reach out in welcome, but also in work, for a world of justice until all homelands are safe and secure.

Bless us, O Lord.

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## CORPORATE STANCE

We, the School Sisters of Notre Dame of the Central Pacific Province, who are committed to transforming the world through education, believe in the dignity of each human person made in the image and likeness of God.

We stand in solidarity with our immigrant sisters and brothers. We support comprehensive immigration reform for the United States that includes a path to earned legalization, family reunification, worker protections, due process protections, and an effective humane border policy.

## We commit:

- to oppose legislation and policies that deny basic human rights to immigrants and refugees;
- to challenge local policies and practices that promote or perpetuate racial bias;

- to advocate for comprehensive immigration reform and for policies that address the root causes of forced migration;
- to affirm the richness and life-giving potential of our multicultural reality;
- to find new and unsuspected ways of being in solidarity with our immigrant brothers and sisters;
- to help our local communities, churches, towns, and villages to be safe and welcoming places for immigrants and refugees
- to educate ourselves in order to be able to sift through the myths and facts about immigrants and refugees as well as the real causes of economic and social unrest that lead to migration. October 2017

We invite you to stand in solidarity with our immigrant brothers and sisters. Resources for prayer, education and engagement are at:

- Catholic Justice for Immigrants Campaign https://justiceforimmigrants.org/
- SSND Central Pacific Province Website https://www.ssndcentralpacific.org/get-involved
- SSND Central Pacific Province Shalom/JPIC Office at 262 .787. 1023