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Mayor Jake Wilson
City Clerk Courtney Henderson
Somerville City Hall
93 Highland Ave.,
Somerville, MA 02143

RE: Somerville Welcoming Community Ordinance Bi-Annual Report

Honorable Mayor Wilson and City Clerk Henderson,

Please accept this document as the Somerville Police Department's Welcoming Community Bi-annual Report. This document has been prepared pursuant to City of Somerville Code of Ordinance Section 2-6 (g). The report covers the reporting period of January 1, 2026 through June 30, 2026.

1. The total number of ICE holds, administrative warrants and notification requests lodged with Somerville Law Enforcement officials, organized by the reasons given for the request:

The City of Somerville Police Department (SPD) received five total communications from the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). All requests were Notices of Detainer accompanied by requests for prior notification of release. In all instances, the ICE notifications were received while the individuals were in custody, or shortly after their release. No action was taken by the Somerville Police Department in these instances.

2. The total number of individuals detained on an ICE hold or administrative warrants, if any:
None.
3. The total number of individuals transferred to ICE custody, if any:
None.
4. The total reimbursements received from the federal government pursuant to any granted hold, Administrative warrant, or notification request, organized by case.
None.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shumeane Benford".

Shumeane Benford

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