Dear Newcomer,

Welcome to Massachusetts! I know that your journey here has not been easy and no one voluntarily chooses to flee from their home country. Your arrival here reflects an enormous amount strength and resilience which will undoubtedly continue to guide your path as you transition to a new life in our hospitable state.

Massachusetts is home to generations of proud citizens who have escaped conflict and persecution in their homelands from many corners of the world. We hope that you will join those who have come before you to transition successfully to new lives as contributing and productive members of your community. With the assistance of the Massachusetts Office for Refugees and Immigrants (MORI), we will provide you with the tools you will need to become self-sufficient and independent such as English Language Training, skills training and job placement. We will work with you from the day you arrive to connect you to benefits and services that will help you not only to find a job, but also to participate fully in the rich civic and social life that can be found from Boston to Springfield.

We are pleased to have you resettle in our great Commonwealth, and we wish you and your family all the best as you rebuild your lives here.

Sincerely,

Charlie Baker
Governor

Karyn Polito
Lieutenant Governor

Marylou Sudders
Secretary