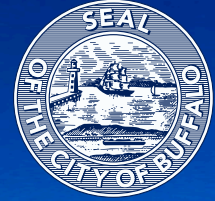


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MAYOR BROWN HONORS WORLD REFUGEE DAY WITH LIGHTING OF THE DOME AT CITY HALL

*Mayor Brown joins with Journey's End Refugee Services and the Peace Bridge Authority
in honoring World Refugee Day in the City of Buffalo.*

Buffalo, N.Y. – In recognition of World Refugee Day, Mayor Byron W. Brown will direct that the dome of City Hall be lit blue. World Refugee Day is internationally recognized and observed on June 20th across the globe. The June 20 observance date was established by the United Nations as an annual commemoration to recognize refugees and displaced individuals for their courage and resilience in the face of conflict and persecution.

“Today we take a moment to reflect upon the strength and resilience of refugees as they work to establish new lives and resettle in welcoming cities like Buffalo, New York. We value their contributions, we value their entrepreneurial spirit, we value their cultures and the diversity they bring to our City. I’m glad to have City Hall join with Journey’s End Refugee Services and the Peace Bridge Authority to recognize the day,” said Mayor Brown.

The Peace Bridge Authority has partnered with Journey’s End Refugee Services to light the Peace Bridge blue, in observance of World Refugee Day. The City of Buffalo is currently celebrating Immigrant Heritage Month throughout June and will see a number of World Refugee Day events, including a World Refugee Day soccer tournament and cultural celebration on July 1, 2017.

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