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## **SPECIAL MOTION NO.4 – WELCOMING AND SUPPORTING REFUGEES**

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Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Ali Hashem
- (ii) Councillor Caroline Needham

This Council notes that conflicts in the Middle East have resulted in the largest refugee crisis in generations and that thousands of women, men and children have died while seeking sanctuary from atrocious violence – many trying to cross the Mediterranean sea.

This Council is proud that Great Britain has a long history of supporting refugees but notes that there have been many instances in history where countries turned refugees away and failed to act before it was too late.

This Council agrees to do its bit in offering help and support to refugees and agrees that getting a compassionate, reasonable tone to the debate about the scale of this crisis and the nature of Britain's response is the duty of all in public life.