The following resolution was passed by the Einstein Senate with all in favor less 1 abstention on February 1, 2017.

The Albert Einstein College of Medicine was founded to contribute to the education of physicians, the advancement of science, and the improvement of the provision of medical care. The diversity of ideas provided by people of different backgrounds and perspectives has been fundamental to the success of the College and, more broadly, to the advancement of humankind.

The Einstein Senate believes that the Executive Order 13769 “Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States” will have detrimental effects on scientific research and medical care. Patient care will be compromised because those who take care of patients may have to leave the US, and patients in need may not be able to obtain treatment. Scientific progress will suffer because those with specialized training may not be available to us. When international travel to meetings and exchange of ideas is hindered, scientific endeavor takes a step back.

We will not tolerate discrimination in our institution, as it is antithetical to our values. Albert Einstein had stated that our College of Medicine would “welcome students of all creeds and races”. We are in a time where we must actively fight to keep his vision alive.

The Einstein Senate strongly endorses the statements by Drs. Steven Safyer and Allen Spiegel made on 1/30/2017 that healthcare is a basic human right. We applaud Montefiore/Einstein for reaffirming our institution’s commitment to protect trainees, students, employees, potential employees and patients.