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Honest stance by Snowflack

To the Editor:

I congratulate columnist Fred Snowflack for taking a strong, moral and objective stand against the xenophobia the town of Morristown is about to unleash officially. Rest assured, even if his honest journalism is blasted and ridiculed by the vocal (and a few are racist) anti-immigrant minority, there is a vast majority of fair and decent-minded Americans like me who would always be on his side.

It doesn't take much these days to panic and scapegoat a vulnerable population, especially when the fearmongers have at their disposal the tool of lies and half-truths. Add to that their use of the post-9/11, so-called "war on terror" tool, and you don't need much to sway those who don't know, or who are afraid to know the facts about the new immigrants: facts based on hard data and history.

Mayor Donald Cresitello's anti-immigrant measure would be thrown out by any justice system in New Jersey and U.S., whenever challenged, and he should know that. Undocumented immigrants are not criminals, and even the conservative Republicans in the Congress have recently dropped their plan to criminalize these immigrant families. In fact, most of the right-wing, anti-immigrant xenophobes lost in the November elections.

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