

A. MoorHeart Recognition: Abdishakur Mohamed



City Council Communication

September 9, 2024

SUBJECT:

MoorHeart Recognition: Abdishakur Mohamed

RECOMMENDATION:

The Mayor and City Council are asked to recognize and honor Abdishakur Mohamed with the MoorHeart award.

BACKGROUND/KEY POINTS:

The MoorHeart award recognizes individuals and organizations that go above and beyond to demonstrate community within our City by their actions and service. A team of volunteers from City boards and commissions selects award recipients who are recognized at City Council meetings. The MoorHeart selection committee chose to recognize Abdishakur Mohamed for his work on creating opportunities for the immigrant communities in Moorhead.

Abdishakur is the creator and founder of Soma Employment Solutions which helps recent immigrants find work opportunities in the Moorhead area. He acts as a New American ambassador and works with other businesses to talk about the growth of their firms.

Saynab Jama wrote in the nomination: "Abdishakur Mohamed, the founder of Soma Employment Solutions, has made a significant impact on the immigrant community in Moorhead through his dedication and efforts. His work has not only helped bridge the gap between workforce demand and supply but has also created numerous opportunities for new Americans in Minnesota and North Dakota. By providing highly customized and workable solutions to clients, Abdishakur ensures integrity, sustainability, and service excellence. This commitment to delivering exceptional service has not only earned the trust of businesses but has also positively impacted the immigrant community by connecting them with employers who value their skills and contributions. Abdishakur's work through Soma Employment Solutions has had a significant impact on the immigrant community in Moorhead. By creating job opportunities, filling the workforce gap, advocating for perceptual change, and delivering exceptional service, Abdishakur has empowered new Americans and contributed to the growth and diversity of the local economy."

Thank you Abdishakur, for taking action on the workforce gap and creating opportunities for those in Moorhead.

The MoorHeart award is commemorated with a piece of art commissioned from local artist, Dennis Krull especially for this purpose.

As you learn of others in our community doing great things, large and small, please consider submitting a nomination. Information on nominating others for MoorHeart consideration is found at cityofmoorhead.com.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Not Applicable



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Voting Requirements: Not Applicable

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Attachments: