

1 [Resolution Urging the Rejection of Priority Enforcement Program]

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3 **Resolution opposing the scapegoating of immigrants and urging the rejection of the**
4 **deportation-focused Priority Enforcement Program.**

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6 WHEREAS, There has recently been a vicious flare of anti-immigrant sentiment in the
7 United States, with political figures such as Donald Trump demonizing Latino immigrants and
8 using racist and xenophobic rhetoric, which has spurred hate crimes based on perceived
9 immigration status; and

10 WHEREAS, San Francisco County is a diverse and immigrant-rich county, where
11 35.6% of its residents are born outside the U.S. and 45% have a language other than English
12 spoken at home, and therefore our city strives to create an inclusive environment which
13 integrates and respects all of its residents equally; and

14 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors resolved in Resolution No.
15 269-10 on June 8, 2010, that "[T]he 'Secure Communities' police/ICE collaboration program
16 would undermine San Francisco's values, seriously harm public safety, and tear hard working
17 San Francisco families apart", on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No.
18 150948, which is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

19 WHEREAS, The "Priority Enforcement Program" (PEP), which is a rebranding of the
20 Secure Communities (S-Comm) program, is yet another mass deportation program that
21 separates families, undermines community trust in law enforcement, is not meaningfully
22 different from S-Comm, and has been shrouded in similar misinformation and lack of
23 transparency; and

24 WHEREAS, On September 16, 2015, the San Francisco Democratic County Central
25 Committee resolved that San Francisco should not participate in PEP, on file with the Clerk of

1 the Board of Supervisors in File No. 150948, which is hereby declared to be a part of this
2 resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

3 WHEREAS, A 2013 study found that 70% of undocumented Latinos surveyed reported
4 that they are “less likely to contact police officers if they have been the victim of a crime
5 because they fear that police officers will use this interaction as an opportunity to inquire into
6 their immigration status or that of people they know;” and

7 WHEREAS, Community groups, including advocates for survivors of domestic
8 violence, have expressed serious concerns that entanglement of local law enforcement with
9 ICE further isolates survivors and will damage community confidence in law enforcement, and
10 even crime victims and witnesses may themselves be considered “priorities” for deportation;
11 now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors fully supports the City
13 and County of Refuge and Due Process Ordinances as they advance public safety; improve
14 community confidence in law enforcement; and uphold the basic rights afforded to all by the
15 United States Constitution; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors calls upon the
17 Sheriff not to participate in the Priority Enforcement Program, except as allowed in
18 Administrative Code, Sections 12I.3 or 12H.2-1, because PEP is counter to San Francisco’s
19 values and to the principles of the Due Process and City and County of Refuge Ordinances.
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October 01, 2015 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - REFERRED WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

October 20, 2015 Board of Supervisors - AMENDED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Christensen, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

October 20, 2015 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Christensen, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED AS AMENDED on 10/20/2015 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board


Unsigned

Mayor

10/30/15

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.



Angela Calvillo
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Date

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