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Supervisor Maxwell Kedlin Daly
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

[Supporting Immigrant and Human Rights]

Resolution affirming the City and County of San Francisco's support for immigrant and human rights in the face of growing border vigilantism.

WHEREAS, One out of every four Californians is an immigrant, including 37% of San Francisco residents; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco has a long and rich history of welcoming immigrants and refugees, facilitating their inclusion into our communities, and encouraging their integration to ensure that our city is a rich and diverse community; and,

WHEREAS, There has been a growth of vigilante groups such as the Minutemen, a group that has patrolled the Mexico/Arizona border and has expanded its operations into California, Texas, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and North Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, Vigilante groups do not help with border security but, in fact, make it more difficult for the border patrol to do its job; and,

WHEREAS, Vigilante groups create a more dangerous and hostile environment for all border communities and immigrants who come here seeking work and a better life for themselves and their families; and,

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has taken a strong stand against hate violence and organizations that promote such acts of violence; and,

WHEREAS, As our nation struggles with a sense of vulnerability and insecurity, many state and national leaders are failing to support our immigrant communities by remaining silent in the face of increasing anti-immigrant rhetoric and activity; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco affirms its commitment to supporting immigrants and human rights in the face of growing vigilantism; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco calls upon local, state, and national leaders to protect immigrants and others from vigilante violence, to prosecute the perpetrators of vigilante violence, and to make immigration reform that addresses the root causes of migration and upholds the rights of all residents regardless of immigration status as a top priority.



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Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, Mirkarimi,

Peskin, Sandoval

Absent: 1 - McGoldrick

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 31, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Clerk of the Board