[Supporting California State Senate Bill No. 227 (Durazo) - Safety Net for All]

Resolution supporting California State Senate Bill No. 227 (Durazo), a Safety Net for All, to create an Excluded Workers Program to offer unemployment benefits to undocumented workers who have paid into the system through tax on their wages.

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is home to approximately 43,000 undocumented immigrants of various backgrounds and cultures; and

WHEREAS, Research shows that undocumented immigrant workers in California are disproportionately represented in low-wage industries, such as domestic service, food service, janitorial services, hospitality, and agriculture while making less than nearly half the median hourly wage of all other workers in the state; and

WHEREAS, Undocumented immigrant workers in California not only contribute their labor, but also \$3.7 billion in state and local taxes, and taxes on their wages contribute an estimated \$485 million to the Unemployment Insurance System every year, yet they cannot access any unemployment benefits when they temporarily lose their job due to historic, racist exclusions from the safety net; and

WHEREAS, The lack of access to unemployment benefits forces undocumented immigrant workers to exhaust their life savings, accumulate greater debt, and compromise their health and well-being to simply afford basic necessities like rent and food for themselves and their loved ones; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED That the City and County of San Francisco support the passage of Senate Bill 227 (Durazo) and its companion budget proposal which would create an Excluded Workers Program and provide unemployment benefits to undocumented immigrant workers who are excluded from unemployment insurance due to their immigration status; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco call on all state elected officials to support and prioritize the passage of SB 227 and its companion budget proposal so every California worker regardless of status has access to life-saving benefits when they face unemployment; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board send a copy of this resolution to Governor Gavin Newsom, President pro-Tempore Toni G. Atkins, Speaker of California State Assembly Anthony Rendon.



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Resolution

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March 07, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/7/2023 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned 03/17/2023

London N. Breed Date Approved Mayor

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 her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo Date
Clerk of the Board