

1 [Appointments, Immigrant Rights Commission - Aseel Fara, Mario Paz, Celine Kennelly, Yu
2 Pok Ng, Sarah Souza, and Lucia Obregon]

3 **Motion appointing Aseel Fara, Mario Paz (residency requirement waived), Celine**
4 **Kennelly, Yu Pok Ng, Sarah Souza, and Lucia Obregon, terms ending June 6, 2025, to**
5 **the Immigrant Rights Commission.**

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7 MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does
8 hereby appoint the hereinafter designated persons to serve as members of the Immigrant
9 Rights Commission, pursuant to the provisions of Administrative Code, Section 5.201, for the
10 term specified:

11 Aseel Fara, seat 4, succeeding Zay David Latt, term expired, must have a
12 demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or
13 employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the
14 geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term
15 ending June 6, 2025;

16 Mario Paz (residency requirement waived), seat 6, succeeding themselves, term expired,
17 must be an immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section
18 4.101, and have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service,
19 educational, or employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall
20 reflect the geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-
21 year term ending June 6, 2025;

22 Celine Kennelly, seat 7, succeeding themselves, term expired, must be an immigrant to
23 the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a
24 demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or
25 employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the

1 geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term
2 ending June 6, 2025;

3 Yu Pok Ng (Jose Ng), seat 8, succeeding Nima Rahimi, term expired, must be an
4 immigrant to the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and
5 have a demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or
6 employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the
7 geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term
8 ending June 6, 2025;

9 Sara Souza, seat 10, succeeding herself, term expired, must be an immigrant to the
10 United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a
11 demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or
12 employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the
13 geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term
14 ending June 6, 2025;

15 Lucia Obregon, seat 11, succeeding herself, term expired, must be an immigrant to
16 the United States, appointed in accordance with Charter, Section 4.101, and have a
17 demonstrated knowledge of and interest in the health, human service, educational, or
18 employment issues that affect immigrants residing in San Francisco and shall reflect the
19 geographic, ethnic, and sexual orientation population of San Francisco, for a two-year term
20 ending June 6, 2025; and, be it

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22 FURTHER MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors makes the following findings:

23 1. The membership of the Immigrant Rights Commission has a goal to be representative
24 of the diversity of the City and County of San Francisco.

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- 1 2. Applicant Mario Paz, who is not a resident of San Francisco, is a person with
2 experience that uniquely qualifies them to serve on the Immigrant Rights Commission.
- 3 3. The Immigrant Rights Commission has attempted to fill the position, for which Mario
4 Paz was nominated, with an individual who is a City resident and who has the specific
5 experience, skills, and qualifications, but has been unable to do so at this time. The
6 Rules Committee has certified that Mario Paz is qualified to serve on the Immigrant
7 Rights Commission.
- 8 4. After exercising due diligence, the Board of Supervisors concludes that there is no
9 other possible representative who is a resident of San Francisco, who has the specific
10 experience, skills, or qualifications possessed by these applicants, and who is willing to
11 serve on the Immigrant Rights Commission at this time; and, be it
12 FURTHER MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors waives the residency requirement
13 for Mario Paz, as is allowed in cases where no qualified City resident who is willing to serve
14 can be found, pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(2), that otherwise requires person(s)
15 appointed to boards, commissions, and advisory bodies established by legislative act of the
16 Board of Supervisors to be resident(s) of the City and County of San Francisco.

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