

1 [Supporting California State Senate Bill No. 693 (Stern) - The Never Again Education Act]

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3 **Resolution supporting California State Senate Bill No. 693, The Never Again Education**
4 **Act, authored by Senator Henry Stern, that would establish the Governor’s Council on**
5 **Genocide and Holocaust Education to establish best practices for, and promote**
6 **implementation of, education on genocide, including the Holocaust, and submit an**
7 **annual report to the Legislature.**

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9 WHEREAS, The Anti-Defamation League’s most recent Audit of Antisemitic Incidents
10 in the United States counted a total of 2,107 antisemitic incidents across the nation, the
11 highest level since tracking began in 1979; and

12 WHEREAS, According to the U.S. Millennial Holocaust Awareness Survey, the first 50-
13 state survey of Holocaust knowledge among Millennials and members of Generation Z, adults
14 aged between 18 and 39, nearly half (48 percent) could not name a single concentration
15 camp or ghetto established during World War II; almost a quarter (23 percent) said they
16 believed the Holocaust was a myth or had been exaggerated, or that they weren’t sure; and
17 63 percent did not know that six million Jews were murdered during the Holocaust; and

18 WHEREAS, The Federal Bureau of Investigations reported that in 2019, anti-Jewish
19 incidents led among religiously-motivated hate crimes in California; and

20 WHEREAS, Existing law requires the California Department of Education to
21 incorporate age-appropriate materials related to genocide and the Holocaust into publications
22 that provide examples of curriculum resources for teacher use, consistent with the subject
23 frameworks on history and social science; and

24 WHEREAS, California State Senate Bill No. 693 would establish the Governor’s
25 Council on Genocide and Holocaust Education to establish best practices for, and promote

1 implementation of, education on genocide, including the Holocaust, and submit an annual
2 report to the Legislature; and

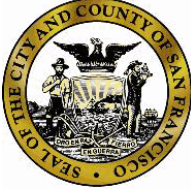
3 WHEREAS, The Bill would strongly encourage school districts and charter schools with
4 students in grades four through 12 to integrate the best practices that meet existing academic
5 content standards and the history-social science curriculum framework for these students into
6 instruction on genocide, including the Holocaust, in addition to requiring that the California
7 Department of Education conduct a study on the manner in which the instruction is offered to
8 assess its impact; and

9 WHEREAS, The Bill also recommends instruction on the Armenian genocide, the
10 Rwandan genocide, and other genocides committed across the world, and recommends the
11 study of other crimes against humanity, such as the internment of Japanese Americans and
12 Japanese immigrants during World War II; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports Senate Bill No.
14 693, The Never Again Education Act, which would establish the Governor's Council on
15 Genocide and Holocaust Education to establish best practices for, and promote
16 implementation of, education on genocide, including the Holocaust, and submit an annual
17 report to the Legislature; and, be it

18 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall transmit a
19 copy of this Resolution to the Governor, the author of the Bill, and all members of the
20 Legislature representing the City and County of San Francisco.

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May 11, 2021 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/11/2021 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed
Mayor

5/21/2021

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

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

5/21/2021

Date