

1 [Condemning the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency (ICE) and Urging Strict  
2 Adherence to Due Process, Family Unity, and Humane Treatment of Migrants]

3 **Resolution condemning the abduction of immigrants by the Immigration and Customs**  
4 **Enforcement Agency (ICE) and urging strict adherence to due process, family unity,**  
5 **and humane treatment of migrants who safely and lawfully pursue their claims.**  
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7 WHEREAS, The United States was founded on principles of civil rights and due  
8 process for all, as a beacon of hope for immigrants seeking refuge and opportunity; and

9 WHEREAS, Numerous instances of inhumane abduction of immigrants, at a mass  
10 scale and in a widespread indiscriminate manner, including those who are diligently  
11 cooperating with law enforcement, have been documented by legal aid and civil rights  
12 organizations; and

13 WHEREAS, There are reports of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency  
14 abducting individuals without clear explanation of charges, detaining individuals without  
15 immediate access to legal counsel or family notification, using excessive force or intimidation  
16 during arrests, including among detainees with no criminal records or charges; blurring the  
17 lines between legitimate law enforcement and arbitrary detention; and

18 WHEREAS, These practices disproportionately affect vulnerable populations, including  
19 asylum seekers, refugees, and undocumented individuals who are seeking safety and a better  
20 life; and

21 WHEREAS, According to Transaction Records Access Clearinghouse, a significant  
22 number of people held in ICE detention have no criminal record, signifying that ICE is  
23 arresting individuals solely for being in the United States without legal status, even if they  
24 have no criminal history; and  
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1 WHEREAS, These activities have resulted in the separation of families, leaving  
2 children without parents, and spouses without partners, leading to severe psychological  
3 trauma, undermining public trust in law enforcement, and violating fundamental civil rights,  
4 including the right to due process, and the human right to family unity; and

5 WHEREAS, The San Francisco area office of ICE has the highest number of enrollees  
6 in Alternatives to Detention (ATD) monitoring programs that operate on the principle of  
7 releasing migrants who are deemed not to be threats to public safety; however ICE has  
8 reversed this practice by accelerating detentions of these immigrants when they arrive at pre-  
9 scheduled check-in meetings at ICE offices; and

10 WHEREAS, The change of practice in the ATD Program calls into question the fairness  
11 and prioritization of ICE's enforcement practices, as well as the potential impact on families  
12 and communities who are effectively discouraged from safely and lawfully pursuing their  
13 immigration claims; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco hereby unequivocally  
15 condemns the abduction of immigrants by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)  
16 agency and calls for an immediate cessation of such practices; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges ICE to  
18 ensure strict adherence to due process, family unity, and humane treatment of migrant  
19 communities who safely and lawfully pursue their claims; and, be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That while the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)  
21 agency is tasked with enforcing immigration laws, its methods should align with human rights,  
22 civil liberties, and the values of a just society; and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors calls upon  
24 elected officials at all levels of government to advocate for and implement policies that uphold  
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1 the rights and dignity of all immigrants and to use all lawful means to hold federal agencies  
2 accountable for their actions.