

**BOARD of SUPERVISORS**



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July 10, 2020

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senator  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 294-20

Dear Senator Feinstein:

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The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

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18 law enforcement training programs based on best practices; requiring that the U.S. Attorney  
19 General collect data on federal investigations and detentions, the racial distribution of drug  
20 charges, the use of deadly force by and against law enforcement officers, and traffic and  
21 pedestrian stops and detentions; and establishing a U.S. Department of Justice task force to  
22 coordinate enforcement in cases related to law enforcement misconduct between federal,  
23 state, and local governments; and

24 WHEREAS, The bill improves transparency and trust by creating a nationwide police  
25 misconduct registry to prevent the unaccountable rehiring or jurisdictional moving of officers

1 who are fired or leave one agency after being found to have committed official misconduct;  
2 and mandating that state and local law enforcement agencies report use of force data  
3 disaggregated by race, sex, disability, religion, and age; and

4 WHEREAS, The bill makes lynching a federal crime by outlawing conspiring to violate  
5 existing federal hate crimes laws; and

6 WHEREAS, While the City and County of San Francisco has already enacted all eight  
7 of the “8 Can’t Wait” reforms to law enforcement, including banning chokeholds and  
8 strangeholds, requiring de-escalation, requiring warnings before the use of firearms,  
9 exhausting all alternatives before the use of firearms, making it law enforcement officers’ duty  
10 to intervene when colleagues act improperly, banning shooting at vehicles, establishing a use-  
11 of-force continuum, and requiring that all uses of force be reported, the City and County has  
12 completed only 15 percent of the 272 reforms recommended by the Obama administration in  
13 2016; and

14 WHEREAS, Beyond San Francisco, recent images of law enforcement misconduct in  
15 cities such as Minneapolis, Louisville, and Atlanta, for example, make it clear that state and  
16 local governments across the United States still have a great deal of progress to make; and

17 WHEREAS, The Justice in Policing Act of 2020 would help define and bring urgency to  
18 that work; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the United States  
20 Congress to pass the Justice in Policing Act of 2020; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages the Congress to  
22 take additional steps toward achieving much-needed reforms to law enforcement at the  
23 federal, state, and local levels; and, be it

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1            FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board  
2 to transmit copies of this Resolution to Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris,  
3 Speaker Nancy Pelosi, and Representative Jackie Speier.

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Resolution urging the United States Congress to pass the Justice in Policing Act of 2020 in order to help define and bring urgency to the much-needed law enforcement reform efforts taking place at all levels of government throughout the United States, and to take further action on law enforcement reform.

June 23, 2020 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 6/23/2020 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Handwritten signature of Angela Calvillo

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed
Mayor

07/03/2020

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.

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