

1 [Condemning the persecution and murders of Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT)
2 Iraqi Citizens]

3 **Resolution calling on the U.S. Department of State to use all diplomatic channels to**
4 **work with the Iraqi Government to stop the persecution of Iraqi Lesbian Gay Bisexual**
5 **Transgender (LGBT) citizens and immediately stop the murders of Iraqi LGBT citizens.**
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7 WHEREAS, Over the past two weeks, 6 men have been murdered in Iraq for being
8 Gay; and

9 WHEREAS, In the most recent attack, two men were killed in Sadr City area
10 of Baghdad after they were disowned by relatives; and,

11 WHEREAS, Residents of Sadr City reported that the bodies of the two men aged 16
12 and 18 were found on waste ground on the outskirts of Sadr City, and that several days
13 previously the two men had been dumped in the street with their arms and legs broken; and

14 WHEREAS, The shootings came after a tribal meeting was held and the tribal
15 members decided to go kill the victims; and,

16 WHEREAS, On March 26, four additional men were fatally shot in Sadr City after the
17 victims had also been disowned by their relatives; and,

18 WHEREAS, Two of the bodies, found on Thursday, had pieces of paper attached to
19 them on which was written the word 'Pervert;' and

20 WHEREAS, In addition to the murders, a cafe frequented by Iraqi LGBT citizens
21 was firebombed in hopes of intimidating Iraqi LGBT citizens; now, therefore, be it
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1 RESOLVED, That San Francisco Board of Supervisors call on the U.S. Department of
2 State to use all diplomatic channels to stop the persecution of Iraqi LGBT citizens and
3 immediately stop the murders of Iraqi LGBT citizens; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors forwards this
5 resolution to the U.S. Secretary of State and the State Department's Iraq Desk and the
6 Congressional Delegation that represents the City and County of San Francisco.

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