

1 [Urging the Suspension of or Termination of Agreements with Immigration and Customs
2 Enforcement on the Police/ICE Collaboration Program Known as “Secure Communities” and
3 Supporting AB 1081]

4 **Resolution urging Governor Jerry Brown and Attorney General Kamala Harris to join**
5 **the Governors of Illinois, Massachusetts, and New York in suspending or terminating**
6 **agreements with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) on the Police/ICE**
7 **collaboration program known as “Secure Communities” and to support Assembly Bill**
8 **1081, the TRUST Act - state legislation that would permit localities to opt out of the**
9 **program.**

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12 WHEREAS, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has developed a new
13 collaboration program between local police and Immigration and Custom Enforcement (ICE),
14 known as “Secure Communities,” requiring sharing fingerprints at booking by local or state
15 law enforcement of citizen or non-citizen with the Department of Homeland Security/ICE; and,
16 since implementation of S-COMM, about 70% of the individuals deported as a result of the
17 program have no criminal record, or have been found to have committed low level crimes --
18 some of those including survivors of domestic violence who called the police for help;ⁱ and

19 WHEREAS, The program has torn apart communities across the nation and has
20 eroded immigrant communities’ trust of police, leading the Governors of Illinois, New York,
21 and Massachusetts, to each formally request to terminate, suspend, or refuse to sign an
22 agreement with ICE on S-COMM; and, law enforcement officials, including San Francisco
23 Sheriff Michael Hennessey, Yolo County Sheriff Edward Prieto, and retired Sacramento Chief
24 Arturo Venegas, have all expressed strong concerns regarding damage caused by S-Comm
25 on community policing; and,

1 WHEREAS, Crime victims, including domestic violence survivors, such as Norma in
2 San Francisco whose story was in the Los Angeles Times;ⁱⁱ have been swept into deportation
3 proceedings by S-Comm after calling the police for help, the U.S. Congressional Hispanic
4 Caucus, the U.S. Congressional Progressive Caucus, and the Los Angeles Congressional
5 Delegation all have urged President Obama to suspend the S-Comm Program nationally
6 because of concerns regarding racial profiling and harm caused crime victims; therefore, be
7 it;

8 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges Governor Brown and
9 Attorney General Harris to support passage of AB 1081, the TRUST Act, which is pending
10 state legislation that would permit localities to opt out of the program, and to join the
11 Governors of Illinois, Massachusetts, and New York in terminating or suspending S-COMM in
12 California; and be it,

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges President
14 Obama, Secretary Janet Napolitano, Senators Dianne Feinstein, Barbara Boxer, and Speaker
15 of the House of Representatives, Nancy Pelosi, to take steps to pass just, fair, and
16 comprehensive immigration reform, rather than strengthen deeply flawed police/ICE
17 collaboration programs that erode trust between local police and the community.

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20 ⁱ U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Secure Communities IDENT/IAFIS Interoperability Monthly Statistics October
21 27, 2008 through April 30, 2011. Available at [http://www.ice.gov/doclib/foia/sc-stats/nationwide_interoperability_stats-
fy2011-to-date.pdf](http://www.ice.gov/doclib/foia/sc-stats/nationwide_interoperability_stats-fy2011-to-date.pdf).

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23 ⁱⁱ See Lee Romney, "Noncriminals swept up in federal deportation program," *LA Times*, May 11, 2011, available at
24 <http://www.latimes.com/news/local/la-me-secure-communities-20110425.0.1739725.story>.

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