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7 WHEREAS, San Francisco recognizes the contributions and human rights of all  
8 people, regardless of their immigration status; and,

9 WHEREAS, Numerous countries worldwide celebrate May 1 as International Workers  
10 Day, making May 1 the international celebration of the achievements of the labor movement;  
11 and,

12 WHEREAS, Immigrants chose May 1 of 2006 as the day for the Great Boycott, drawing  
13 over 250,000 peaceful demonstrators to the streets of San Francisco, and May 1 of 2007 as  
14 the day for the March for Unconditional Amnesty; and,

15 WHEREAS, Immigrants, unions, and faith-based groups have called for a May 1 of  
16 2008 demonstration entitled “Workers United Without Borders – Amnesty for All,” and have  
17 called for an end to the war at home and abroad, the end to displacement of people of color in  
18 San Francisco, and the end to anti-immigrant legislation such as H.R. 4088, the SAVE ACT,  
19 H.R. 5515, and H.R. 239; and,

20 WHEREAS, In November of 2007, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors approved  
21 the Municipal Identification Cards ordinance (Ordinance No. 274-07), which authorized the  
22 County Clerk to issue municipal identification cards upon request to residents of the City and  
23 County of San Francisco, regardless of immigration status, gender identification, or housing  
24 status; and,  
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1           WHEREAS, In February of 2007, Mayor Gavin Newsom reaffirmed San Francisco's  
2           commitment to immigrant communities by issuing an Executive Order that called upon City  
3           departments to develop protocol and training on the City's Sanctuary Ordinance; and,

4           WHEREAS, The United States' REAL ID Act of 2005 (H.R. 4437) mandates an  
5           unfunded drivers license mandate on the people of the State of California; and,

6           WHEREAS, Implementation of REAL ID would cost California taxpayers an estimated  
7           \$500 million; now, therefore, be it

8           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors reaffirms San Francisco's  
9           status as a Sanctuary City for immigrants and refugees, regardless of immigration status; and,  
10          be it

11          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors proclaims May 1, 2008 to be  
12          International Workers Day in San Francisco; and, be it

13          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the United States  
14          Congress to repeal the REAL ID Act of 2005; and, be it

15          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors supports the California  
16          Assembly Joint Resolution 51, presently pending before the State legislature, which calls on  
17          the United States Congress to repeal the REAL ID Act of 2005.