To: <u>BOS-Supervisors</u>; <u>BOS Legislation</u>, (<u>BOS</u>)

Subject: FW: Support for File #180432,#41 on May 1, 2018

Date: Thursday, May 03, 2018 3:33:43 PM

From: Eppie Encabo [mailto:efencabo@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, April 30, 2018 8:53 PM

To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>

Cc: eppie encabo <efencabo@gmail.com>

Subject: Support for File #180432,#41 on May 1, 2018

Dear Supervisors,

As a faith member of National Ecumenical and Interfaith Forum for Filipino Concerns (NEFFCON) I respectfully urge you to vote in support of item #41 on tomorrow's agenda . It is really important that San Francisco is on record for condemning the mistreatment of detainees at SFO and to call on our Federal representatives to hold an independent and transparent investigation on the inhumane treatment of Philippine peace advocate Jerome Aba.

We, members of NEFFCON are committed to:

stand n solidarity with the Filipino people in the U.S, in the Philippines and those who are forced to work abroad, for social justice and equality in order to transform unjust structures, challenge violence of every kind and safeguard the integrity of human life advocate in local, national and international in civil and political venues against all forms of militarism and in support of official peace processes and all unofficial efforts to reduce exploitations, avoid violence and foster lasting peace;

become a source of accurate information and education in articulating the Filipino struggle to as wide an audience as possible and

continue to strengthen our faith and learn to better articulate both our faith and faith traditions as a vital counterbalance to injustices, violence and inhumane treatment.

Please join us in demanding accountability from Customs Border Patrol and Homeland Security. We need to send a strong message that we do not condone torture at SFO.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Eppie F. Encabo member NEFFCON -Northern California

To: <u>BOS-Supervisors</u>; <u>BOS Legislation</u>, (BOS)

Subject: FW: Item #41

Date: Thursday, May 03, 2018 3:22:56 PM

From: Diane Weible [mailto:dweible@ncncucc.org]

Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2018 12:33 PM

To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>

Subject: Item #41

Dear Supervisors,

As a faith leader serving in this community, I respectfully urge you to vote in support of Item #41 on tomorrow's agenda. It's really important that San Francisco is on record for condemning the mistreatment of detainees at SFO and to call on our Federal representatives to hold an independent and transparent investigation on the inhumane treatment of Philippine peace advocate Jerome Aba.

The Northern California Nevada Conference of the United Church of Christ has churches all over northern California, including several in San Francisco, that are working tirelessly for the rights and human treatment of all persons. As we watch the caravans of people make their way to the US/Mexico border fleeing violence and as we hear horrific stories of people who live with violence and extremism in so many places throughout the world, our churches are fighting for the right of all of their voices to be heard. Jerome Aba was bringing the voice of the powerless and the oppressed in his country to this country so their stories could be heard through him. His detainment at our own airport is appalling because this is a city that understands the right and the need for everyone to have a chance for their voice to be heard. Please stand with our churches and all of us faith leaders who need your support for our voice to overpower the voice of fear and entitlement, which I believe is at the heart of this kind of injustice.

Please join us in demanding accountability from Customs Border Patrol and Homeland Security. We need to send a strong message that we do not condone torture at SFO.

Sincerely, Diane Weible

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To: <u>BOS-Supervisors</u>; <u>BOS Legislation</u>, (BOS)

Subject: FW:

Date: Thursday, May 03, 2018 3:22:43 PM

From: kim montenegro [mailto:kimmontenegro@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, April 30, 2018 9:29 PM

To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>

Subject:

Dear Supervisors or Specific Supervisor,

As a faith leader and a Ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church, I respectfully urge you to vote in support of Item #41 on tomorrow's agenda. Its really important that San Francisco is on record for condemning the mistreatment of detainees at SFO and to call on our Federal representatives to hold an independent and transparent investigation on the inhumane treatment of Philippine peace advocate Jerome Aba. As a pastor and a faith leader I am horrified and sickened that this could happen in my home country of the United States. Trying to keep Aba silent through torture and intimidation is against what we stand for as Americans and something I will continue to speak out against as a religious leader.

Please join us in demanding accountability from Customs Border Patrol and Homeland Security. We need to send a strong message that we do not condone torture at SFO.

Sincerely,

Reverend Kimberly Montenegro
Ordained Elder in The United Methodist Church

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

To: BOS-Supervisors; Somera, Alisa (BOS); BOS Legislation, (BOS)

Subject: FW: In support of Jerome Aba, item #41 on your May 1 agenda

Date: Monday, April 30, 2018 4:53:24 PM

----Original Message-----

From: rogrmail@gmail.com [mailto:rogrmail@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, April 30, 2018 2:55 PM

Dear San Francisco Supervisors,

I am a retired ordained minister of the United Church of Christ, a mainstream protestant denomination which has a proud and lengthy history of standing for progressive causes of freedom, peace and justice. Recently I heard the horrific story of the detention and abuse at SFO of a Filipino invitee to our faith community forum on human rights.

Jerome Aba's name will come before you in tomorrow's Board meeting.

Please... vote in support of Item #41 on tomorrow's agenda. San Francisco is a city of freedom and sanctuary. How incredible that here in San Francisco, Customs Border Patrol / Homeland Security officials would so shamelessly violate a peace advocate's human rights. Please take whatever action possible for the Board of Supervisors to call for or initiate a fair and independent investigation into this travesty. Those responsible should be publicly exposed and relieved of their duties.

My heart is with Jerome Aba. Please honor his witness, his cause, and the visionary values of our great city of San Francisco.

Sincerely,

Rev. Roger D. Straw

Northern California Nevada United Church of Christ