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6 WHEREAS, In 1989 San Francisco passed the City of Refuge Ordinance that  
7 prohibited the use of City funds to enforce Federal immigration laws or to share information  
8 with Federal immigration officials; and,

9 WHEREAS, On January 17, 2006, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
10 unanimously passed a resolution re-confirming the City's support for the City of Refuge  
11 Ordinance; and,

12 WHEREAS, The lifeblood of San Francisco's tourist economy, including the hotel and  
13 restaurant sectors, is linked to immigrant and undocumented workers; and,

14 WHEREAS, San Francisco is safer because the Police Department devotes its  
15 resources to patrolling neighborhoods rather than searching for undocumented workers; and,

16 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives amended the Fiscal Year 2007 Science,  
17 State, Justice and Commerce Appropriations Bill forcing cities like San Francisco to end  
18 sanctuary policies or have their Homeland Security funding denied; and,

19 WHEREAS, The federal government has already jeopardized the security of Northern  
20 Californian cities by providing the area with less than ten percent of the \$333 million in  
21 Homeland Security funding sought; and,

22 WHEREAS, New York's Republican Mayor Michael Bloomberg, has been the lone  
23 voice in chastising the House of Representatives and has promised "One heck of a battle" if  
24 Congress holds hostage Homeland Security funds; now, therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors calls upon Mayor Gavin Newsom to speak  
2 out and defend the City of Refuge Ordinance and to explicitly state that San Francisco will  
3 reject any funds that are contingent upon the City repealing its support for undocumented  
4 immigrants; and, be it

5           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges sanctuary  
6 cities nationwide to support Mayor Bloomberg and fight against Federal Security money being  
7 used as a pawn in the debate over immigration; and, be it

8           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges California's  
9 congressional delegation to oppose all efforts to eliminate sanctuary cities and directs the  
10 clerk of the Board to send copies of this resolution to San Francisco's Federal  
11 Representatives.

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