

1 [Supporting the Human Rights of the People of Iran]

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3 **Resolution supporting the human rights of the people of Iran, including the immediate**
4 **cessation of human rights abuse on the demonstrators in Iran and the immediate**
5 **release of political prisoners in Iran, and standing in solidarity with the women and**
6 **people of Iran.**

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8 WHEREAS, Protests erupted across Iran after Mahsa Amini, a 22-year old Iranian
9 Kurdish woman, who was pronounced dead on September 16, 2022, in the custody of the
10 Morality Police after she allegedly violated the strict Islamic dress code for women on
11 September 13, 2022, and reportedly the improper wearing of the hijab in Tehran; and

12 WHEREAS, In response to her death, protesters have taken to the streets in more than
13 80 cities, towns, and villages across Iran; all while Iranian women are at risk of suffering
14 brutality and death for perceived violations of a dress code imposed on them by others; and

15 WHEREAS, Reports indicate that Iranian security forces have used lethal force in
16 killing hundreds of protesters and arresting more than 14,000 people, and are threatening to
17 impose the death penalty on detained Iranians; and

18 WHEREAS, The Iranian Government has also restricted internet access, by cutting
19 access to Instagram and WhatsApp to prevent communication, disrupting access to
20 information, restricted freedom of expression, repressed the rights of Iranian citizens,
21 journalists, and human rights defenders; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors stands with the people of
23 Iran, particularly women and girls, who are engaged in legitimate and peaceful protests
24 against an oppressive and corrupt regime, while asking for a free, secular, democratic,

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1 republic of Iran where everyone can live freely and prosper regardless of their gender, sexual
2 orientation, beliefs, and religion; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors condemns the
4 Islamic Republic and its agents who routinely and systematically violate human rights, restrict
5 freedom of peaceful assembly and association and freedom of opinion and expression,
6 including the continuing closures of media outlets, arrests of journalists, and censorship of
7 expression in online forums; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors calls on the
9 Iranian Government and security forces to cease their attacks and killing of those protesting
10 Mahsa Amini's death, for a thorough and unfettered investigation by a trusted international
11 body into the circumstances of her arrest and cause of death, and full accountability for all
12 those determined to have been responsible for the death of Mahsa Amini and hundreds of
13 others, and the arrests and human rights abuse of thousands of others.

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