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## AMENDED IN COMMITTEE 3/20/2023 RESOLUTION NO.

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2	[Condemning Texas State Senate Bill No. 147 (Kolkhorst) - Banning the Purchase of Real Property by Immigrants]
3	Resolution condemning Texas State Senate Bill No. 147 that prohibits immigrants from
4	owning Texas real estate.
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6	WHEREAS, Texas State Senator Lois Kolkhorst introduced State Senate Bill 147 (SB
7	147) which as currently proposed, will prohibit, among other things, citizens of China, Iran,
8	North Korea, or Russia from owning real property located in the State of Texas; and
9	WHEREAS, SB 147, perhaps disguised as necessary for national security, is a racist
10	proposal that serves no legitimate state purpose; and
11	WHEREAS, SB 147 is at its core an Alien Land Law, which was deeply rooted in our dark
12	and ugly history of targeting and banning Asian Americans from owning real estate in
13	Washington, Oregon, and California, serving only to institutionalize racism and discriminatory
14	practices; and
15	WHEREAS, We have since then learned from this racist past and overturned Alien
16	Land Laws, including in California, when in 1952 the California Supreme Court ruled that
17	California's 1920 Alien Land Law violated the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment
18	and
19	WHEREAS, Alien Land Laws and other exclusionary policies have a harmful and
20	dehumanizing effect on immigrants, their families, and their communities and the
21	repercussions are still felt today; and
22	WHEREAS, Two similar Texas State Senate Bills 552 and 711 have been introduced,
23	and have the same effects of prohibiting "aliens and citizens" of China, Iran, North Korea, and
24	Russia from entering into a contract for agricultural land and acquiring title to real property;
25	and

1	WHEREAS, SB 147 prevents Asian and other immigrants from establishing roots in the
2	state, making investments in their communities, and pursuing the American Dream; and
3	WHEREAS, SB 147 will create unnecessary and undue burdens and expenses on
4	financial institutions, title insurance companies, professionals, and the real estate industry;
5	and
6	WHEREAS, Alien Land Laws like SB 147 violate the Equal Protection Clause of the
7	United States Constitution and the Civil Rights Act; and
8	WHEREAS, there is broad community opposition to SB 147 including the Asian
9	American Bar Association of Houston (AABA Houston), the Austin Asian American Bar
10	Association (Austin AABA), and the Dallas Asian American Bar Association (DAABA), and the
11	National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA); now, therefore, be it
12	RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
13	condemns SB 147 as a racist, unconstitutional measure and urges the Texas State
14	Legislature to withdraw SB 147; and, be it
15	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
16	Francisco hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the
17	Texas State Senate and the Texas State Assembly as well as the Bill's primary sponsor; and,
18	be it
19	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
20	Francisco hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the
21	Governor of the State of California to send to the Governor of Texas.
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By: Kolkhorst S.B. No. 147

### A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the purchase of or acquisition of title to real property by certain aliens or foreign entities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 5.005, Property Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5.005. ALIENS. Except as provided by Section 5.0051,  $\underline{an}$  [An] alien has the same real and personal property rights as a United States citizen.

SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 5, Property Code, is amended by adding Section 5.0051 to read as follows:

Sec. 5.0051. PURCHASE OF OR ACQUISITION OF TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY BY CERTAIN FOREIGN INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES PROHIBITED. Notwithstanding any other law, the following may not purchase or otherwise acquire title to real property in this state:

(1) a governmental entity of China, Iran, North Korea, or Russia;

(2) a company or other entity that is:

(A) headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, or

Russia;

(B) directly or indirectly held or controlled by the government of China, Iran, North Korea, or Russia; or

(C) owned by or the majority of stock or other ownership interest of which is held or controlled by individuals who are citizens of China, Iran, North Korea, or Russia;

(3) a company or other entity that is owned by or the majority of stock or other ownership interest of which is held or controlled by a company or entity described by Subdivision (2); or

(4) an individual who is a citizen of China, Iran, North Korea, or Russia.

SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to the purchase of or other acquisition of title to real property on or after the effective date of this Act. The purchase of or other acquisition of title to real property before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.





March 23, 2023

Via Email <u>-chanstaff@sfgov.org</u>
Supervisor Connie Chan
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
City Hall
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting

immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

The YMCA of San Francisco strongly supports the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Sincerely,

Jamie Bruning-Miles President & CEO

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March 16, 2023

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Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

Chinatown Community Development Center strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate. As a community development organization, we serve the roles of neighborhood advocates, organizers, and planners with the goal of building community and enhancing the quality of life for low income, immigrant, and communities of color.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Very Truly Yours,

Maggie Dong

Community Planner

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Supervisor Connie Chan Letter of Support in condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 Page 2

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March 22, 2023

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Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

The Chinese Progressive Association (CPA) strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the man community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Regards,

Joyce Lam Political Director Chinese Progressive Association Supervisor Connie Chan Letter of Support in condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 Page 2

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March 21, 2023

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Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

The Chinese Historical Society of America (CHSA) strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the man community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Very Truly Yours,

Justin Hoover

**Executive Director** 

**CHSA** 

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March 20, 2023

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Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting

immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

The Jewish Community Relations Council of the Bay Area strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting citizens of China, Russia, North Korea and Iran from owning Texas real estate.

In the first half of the 1900s the Jewish community experienced racial covenants in communities across the Unites States and were unable to buy homes in certain neighborhoods. We know the negative consequences these sorts of laws can have on individuals, families and communities.

Additionally, this bill appears to be based solely on xenophobia, without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of threats due to immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors pass the resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Sincerely,

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March 14, 2023

Honorable Connie Chan Board of Supervisors-District One City and County of San Francisco City Hall San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Resolution Condemning Texas State Senate Bill No. 147-Banning the Purchase of

Real Property by Immigrants

Dear Supervisor Chan:

The Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California strongly oppose Texas State Senate Bill No. 147.

This proposed measure is an ugly reoccurrence of an archaic and moribund piece of legislation that our country confirmed should be abolished as it discriminated against targeted ethnic communities.

Over 110 years later, there is an attempt to again deny certain individuals the right to acquire title to purchase land. Many of the individuals who will be affected by this legislation probably have no or very little affiliation of what is happening with diplomatic relations with the United States. Yet, the legislation punishes and blanketly assumes that any person immigrating from the identified countries named in the legislation are unworthy of holding land by their birth affiliation.

This simply makes no sense and is against any and all of the principles of this country that prides itself on the strength and contributions of individuals representing all corners of the globe.

We as descendants of parents, grandparents and great grandparents of those who were not able to own land because of their ethnic heritage clearly understand the serious repercussions of such a blatantly racist proposal and stand in solidarity with you to officially oppose any further discussion on this measure.

Thank you for bringing this to our attention.

Paul Osaki

Sincerely

**Executive Director** 

March 19, 2023

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Supervisor Connie Chan San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, room 244 City Hall San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

APA Justice Task Force strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

At least 9 discriminatory land ownership bills have been introduced in the 88<sup>th</sup> legislative session in Texas and similar bills have also been introduced in other states around the country. However, Texas State Bill No. 147 is the first one to triggered heated debate as evidenced by the hearing of two of these bills at the Texas Senate State Affairs Committee on the Texas Independence Day, March 2, 2023. During the hearing, 129 out of the 139 people testified at the hearing were against these bills. Texas State Bill No. 147 is now becoming a symbol and watched by people nationwide.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join community organizations and bar associations across the country in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Very Truly Yours,

APA Justice Task Force co-organizers Steven Pei, Vincent Wang and Jeremy Wu

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Subject: Fw: Support Supervisor Chan Resolution Condemning Texas Alien Land Laws SB Bill 147

**Date:** Monday, March 20, 2023 9:25:44 AM

Hi Erica,

Please see below email to include with File No. 230228.

Thank you! Kelly

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March 16, 2023

Via Email -chanstaff@sfgov.org

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Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

Rose Pak Democratic Club strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long-established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the man community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Very Truly Yours,

Rose Pak Democratic Club

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### **Resolution Against Texas' Senate Bill 147**

The San Francisco Labor Council strongly condemns and opposes passage of Texas' Senate Bill 147, which if enacted would ban citizens of China, Russia, North Korea, and Iran from buying property or real estate in Texas. At least 11 other states are considering similar legislation. The ultra-conservative American Legislative Council is supporting and raising money to pass these bills as a "model policy" justified on the grounds of U.S. national security.

Whereas, support for these racist and xenophobic bills is based on the four countries being designated as enemies of the United States; and

Whereas, we are a nation of laws and SB147 would violate the equal protection and due process protections of the Constitution; and

Whereas, passing SB147 and similar legislation would offend our basic principles of morality, racial, and economic justice; and

Whereas, these racist, xenophobic, and unconstitutional bills would be a shameful revival of the darkest, ugliest, and most hateful periods of our past,

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the San Francisco Labor Council demands that members of the Texas Senate condemn and reject SB147; and

Therefore Be It Finally Resolved, that the San Francisco Labor Council forward this resolution to the California Labor Federation and to the AFL-CIO for concurrence and appropriate action.

Adopted unanimously by the San Francisco Labor Council on March 13, 2023.

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March 13, 2023

Supervisor Connie Chan San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

Chinese for Affirmative Action (CAA) strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Sincerely,

Andy Wong

Managing Director of Advocacy

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March 15, 2023

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Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

Community Youth Center of San Francisco strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the man community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Very Truly Yours,

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San Francisco, CA 94102

Re:

Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

On behalf of the Japanese Community Youth Council, we would like to express our strong support for the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Tragically, this parallels the same pattern of racism that led to incarceration of nearly 120,000 Japanese Americans during WWII.

Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating the racist history of America and reject this Texas bill and other attempts to scapegoat innocent immigrants.

We join our fellow community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and urge the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to pass this resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Sincerely,

Jon Osaki Executive Director

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Re:

Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

Self-Help for the Elderly strongly supports the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative findings or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas

We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the passing of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Sincerely,

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Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning

Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real

estate"

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Gin Y. Ho Rebecca Lee Michael Moon Jon Moscone Sophia Xiao

Manni Liu

Dear Supervisor Chan,

Chinese Culture Center of San Francisco strongly supports San Francisco Board of

Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting

immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

**Executive Director** Jenny Leung

Advisory Council Abby Chen Irene Yee Riley Sherman Tang Norman Yee

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We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning

these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution

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March 14, 2023

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Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

The Asian and Pacific Islander Council of San Francisco (API Council) strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

I respectfully ask you for your consideration in supporting this effort. I am available anytime to discuss my support. Please reach out to me if you have any questions at: cally.wong@apicouncil.org.

Sincerely,

Cally Wong **Executive Director** API Council



Supervisor Connie Chan San Francisco Board of Supervisors Via e-mail

March 13, 2023

Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

The San Francisco Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

This bill is based solely on xenophobia without any legislative finding or reliable evidence of any threat of immigrants owning Texas real estate. Texas has no legitimate state interest in denying immigrants the opportunity to own Texas real estate. It has been long established that alien land laws are unconstitutional and serve only to exclude and deny opportunities to immigrants and communities of color. We must stop repeating racist history and reject this Texas bill.

We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning these racist resolutions and stand in strong support of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Sincerely,

Judy Hamaguchi

President

Japanese American Citizens League San Francisco Chapter Board of Directors Judy Hamaguchi, President; David Takashima, Vice President; Emily Murase, PhD, Secretary; John Hayashi, Treasurer; Board Members: Joyce Nakamura, Elena Nielsen, Merry Nishimura.

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Re:

Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

San Francisco Chinese Chamber of Commerce strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

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We join the many community organizations and bar associations in condemning these resolutions and request the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate."

Very Truly Yours.

Harlan Wong

First Vice President

Chinese New Year Festival & Parade Director

SF Chinese Chamber of Commerce

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Re: Support for San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution "Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate"

Dear Supervisor Chan,

Chinatown Media and Arts Collaborative strongly supports San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution Condemning Texas State Bill No. 147 prohibiting immigrants from owning Texas real estate.

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Very Truly Yours,

Chinatown Media and Arts Collaborative

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