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March 3, 2014

The Honorable Janice K. Brewer Arizona Governor Executive Tower 1700 West Washington Street Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: San Francisco Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 53-14

Dear Governor Brewer:

On February 25, 2014, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 53-14 (Urging Arizona Governor Jan Brewer to Veto Arizona Senate Bill 1062), which was enacted on February 28, 2014.

This Resolution directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following documents to your attention:

• One (1) certified copy of Resolution No. 53-14 (File No. 140149)

It has come to our attention that you have in-fact vetoed Senate Bill 1062. We would like to express our appreciation and support for your decision.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184, or by e-mail: board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org.

Sincerely,

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board

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[Urging Arizona Governor Jan Brewer to Veto Arizona Senate Bill 1062]

Resolution denouncing Arizona Senate Bill (SB) 1062, a law that permits discrimination against the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community under the guise of religion, urging Governor Jan Brewer to veto SB1062, expanding the boycott of the State of Arizona and Arizona-based businesses if SB1062 is passed, and endorsing the City Attorney's offer to cooperate in a lawsuit challenging SB1062.

WHEREAS, The Arizona legislature passed SB1062, which allows businesses the right to refuse services to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) individuals under the guise of religious freedom; and

WHEREAS, SB1062 will become law if Arizona Governor Jan Brewer signs the bill or fails to act before February 28, 2014; and

WHEREAS, The broad language in SB1062 provides a "license to discriminate" as it allows any individual, corporation, institution, or business owner the right to refuse service to an individual if the owner believes doing so would violate the practice and observance of his or her religion; and

WHEREAS, Similar laws have been struck down as discriminatory in other states, including New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors respects the freedom of religion, but this freedom cannot be used as an excuse for individuals to treat certain residents or visitors, based upon identity or sexual orientation, as inferior and less deserving of services and accommodations than others; and

WHEREAS, SB1062 is dangerous because it allows individuals the unfettered ability to act upon personal homophobia, so long as they claim offense to their religious beliefs; and,

WHEREAS, Enacting SB1062 sends a clear message that Arizona is an intolerant and unwelcoming place for LGBT persons; and

WHEREAS, Civil rights leaders, elected officials, businesses, the tourism industry, faith leaders, and individuals across the country are repudiating SB1062 and urging Governor Brewer to veto SB1062 as it is bad public policy and economically detrimental to the state; and

WHEREAS, Arizona Senators Bob Worsley and Steve Pierce with Arizona Senate

Majority Whip Adam Driggs, three Republicans who voted for the bill, sent a letter to Governor

Brewer stating they regretted their votes and now urge her to veto the legislation; and

WHEREAS, Phoenix Mayor Greg Stanton warned that SB1062 would revive the impression that Arizona is intolerant, damaging the state's economy; and

WHEREAS, Senators Jeff Flake and John McCain and Representative Kyrsten Sinema representing the State of Arizona in the United States Congress have urged Governor Brewer veto SB1062; and

WHEREAS, The Arizona Cardinals, Arizona's only National Football League (NFL) team, has spoken out against SB1062 stating that it does not support anything that has the potential to divide, exclude and discriminate; and

WHEREAS, The Super Bowl Host Committee for Super Bowl XLIX, has stated that it does not support SB1062 citing that it shares the NFL's core values which embrace tolerance, diversity, inclusiveness and prohibit discrimination against all people, including LGBT individuals; and

WHEREAS, With the potential for SB1062 to become law, Arizona has once again chosen to isolate itself from the rest of the nation as it did four years ago when it passed SB1070, which turned Arizona's law enforcement officers into immigration enforcement

officials, in essence legalizing racial profiling against people of color, and two decades ago when it refused to observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors is on record as opposing SB1062; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That if SB1062 is enacted, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges San Francisco to renew its boycott of Arizona; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors will call for City Departments (1) to the extent practicable, and in instances where there is no significant additional cost to the City nor conflict with law, to refrain from entering into any new or amended contracts to purchase goods or services from any company that is headquartered in Arizona, (2) to avoid sending City officials or employees to conferences in Arizona, and (3) to review existing contracts for the purchase of goods and services with companies headquartered in Arizona and explore opportunities to discontinue those contracts consistent with the terms of those contracts and principles of fiscal responsibility; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That if SB1062 is enacted the Board of Supervisors will encourage private San Francisco based businesses to refrain from doing business with the State of Arizona or holding or participating in any conventions or conferences in Arizona, and also urges San Francisco private citizens to avoid engaging in tourism in the State of Arizona; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors endorses the City Attorney's offer to lend resources of his office to cooperate in a legal challenge to SB1062; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of this Resolution to Arizona Governor Jan Brewer.



City and County of San Francisco Tails

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Resolution

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File Number:

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Date Passed:

February 25, 2014

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February 25, 2014 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

File No. 140149

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 2/25/2014 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Mayor

2/28/14

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board



City and County of San Francisco Certified Copy

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Sponsors: Campos, Wiener, Mar, Kim, Cohen, Avalos, Breed, Chiu, Tang, Farrell and Yee

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2/25/2014 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

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2/28/2014 Mayor - RETURNED UNSIGNED

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a full, true, and correct copy of the original thereof on file in this office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the offical seal of the City and County of San Francisco.

March 03, 2014

Date

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board