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[Supporting the Bay Area Rapid Transit District's Sanctuary in Transit Policy]

Resolution supporting the Bay Area Rapid Transit District's Sanctuary in Transit Policy.

WHEREAS, San Francisco has a long history supporting documented and undocumented immigrants, being one of the first jurisdictions nationwide to declare itself a sanctuary city in 1989; and

WHEREAS, According to the Pew Research Center, at least 35,000 undocumented immigrants live in San Francisco and over 500,000 live in the greater Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, Many of these undocumented members of our community rely on public transportation, including Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART), to get to work, to school, and to run daily errands; and

WHEREAS, A basic premise of San Francisco's Sanctuary City policy is that when local law enforcement focuses on keeping communities safe, rather than becoming entangled in federal immigration efforts, our communities are safer and more robust; and

WHEREAS, BART has introduced a call for a Sanctuary in Transit policy to protect everyone, including our undocumented friends, neighbors, and colleagues, from being unduly targeted during their commutes; and

WHEREAS, The proposed Sanctuary in Transit policy would limit the information that BART shares directly or indirectly with the federal government, joining countless other cities and counties, including San Francisco, from participating in federal immigration enforcement; and

WHEREAS, This first-of-its-kind policy would ensure that our local policing resources are used to promote safety on our public transportation system, rather than for the enforcement of divisive federal laws; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commend Director Josefowitz and Director Simon for proposing BART's Sanctuary in Transit Policy and strongly urge the Bay Area Rapid Transit Board of Directors to support it.

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## **Introduction Form**

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SAN FRANCISCO

For meeting date 2011 FEB 28 I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one): 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion, or Charter Amendment) 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee. X 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee. inquires" 4. Request for letter beginning "Supervisor П 5. City Attorney request. from Committee. 6. Call File No. 7. Budget Analyst request (attach written motion). 8. Substitute Legislation File No. 9. Reactivate File No. 10. Question(s) submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following: **Small Business Commission** Youth Commission ☐ Ethics Commission ☐ Planning Commission ☐ Building Inspection Commission Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use a Imperative Form. Sponsor(s): Supervisor Sheehy Subject: Supporting the Bay Area Rapid Transit District's Sanctuary in Transit Policy The text is listed below or attached: Resolution in support of Bay Area Rapid Transit District's (BART's) Sanctuary in Transit Policy. Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:

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