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Resolution declaring support for the Tree of Life Synagogue and the global Jewish community following the atrocious anti-Semitic shooting that killed eleven and injured six others on October 27, 2018, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and repeating the call for

[Declaring Support for the Tree of Life Synagogue and the Global Jewish Community]

WHEREAS, We all should be able to live and worship freely without fear of gun violence. Yet once again, we have learned that hate armed with a gun is deadly.

common sense gun laws to protect our families and communities.

WHEREAS, Whether worshipping at a synagogue in Pittsburgh, a historically African-American Methodist church in Charleston, a Baptist church in Texas, or a Sikh temple in Wisconsin, people should never have to worry about gun violence when praying or attending services at their place of worship; and

WHEREAS, On October 24, in Kentucky, a gunman tried to enter a predominantly African-American church. When he failed, he went to a nearby grocery store and shot and killed two African-American customers; and

WHEREAS, On October 27, in Pittsburgh, a gunman entered a Shabbat service at Tree of Life Synagogue, killing eleven and injuring six others; and

WHEREAS, Our hearts are with the Jewish community in Pittsburgh and all the families who have been affected by the gun violence epidemic affecting our nation; and

WHEREAS, Over the last week, dozens of families became members of a club that no one wants to join: the millions of Americans whose lives have been forever ripped apart by gun violence; and

WHEREAS, In an average year, more than 10,300 hate crimes involve a firearm - more than 28 each day; of those, and

WHEREAS, Over 2,000 were motivated by bias against a faith, most often anti-Semitic or anti-Islamic prejudice; we must do more to disarm hateful people, and

WHEREAS, No other high-income nation accepts this horrifying level of gun violence; it is up to us to make our voices heard and call on leaders at every level of government to put the safety of our families and communities first, and

WHEREAS, In the words of Tree of Life rabbi Jeffrey Myers, who wrote recently about gun violence, "We deserve better," we deserve better gun laws; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco declares its support for the Tree of Life Synagogue, the global Jewish community, and all communities ripped apart by gun violence. Across our country, this terrifying shooting must be a reminder that the status quo is unacceptable and that we as a nation can do better; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco recommits to doing everything possible to provide and promote common sense solutions to gun violence in order to keep children, families, and communities safe.



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December 10, 2018 Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

December 10, 2018 Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee -RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT

December 11, 2018 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Brown, Cohen, Fewer, Kim, Mandelman, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Tang and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 12/11/2018 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

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Mayor

Date Approved