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May 8, 2019

The Honorable Jackie Speier United States House of Representatives 2465 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 209-19

Dear Congresswoman Speier:

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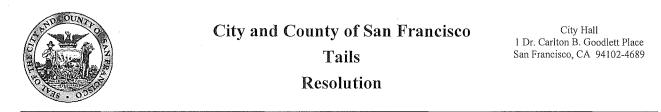
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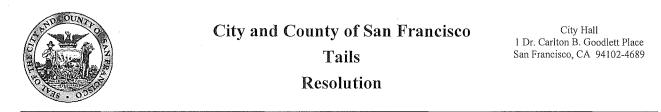
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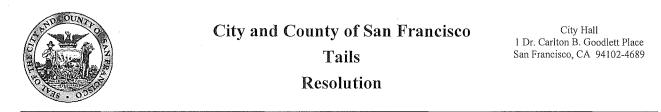
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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with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

Angela Calvillo

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May 8, 2019

The Honorable Kamala Harris United States Senator 112 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 209-19

Dear Senator Harris:

On April 23, 2019, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 209-19 (Supporting House Resolution No. 233 - Condemning Duterte's Drug War - Urging Congressional Hearing), which was enacted on May 3, 2019.

The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

• One certified copy of Resolution No. 209-19 (File No. 190423)

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: <u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

c. Members of the Board of Supervisors; Supervisors Matt Haney, Sandra Fewer, Gordon Mar, Rafael Mandelman, Aaron Peskin, Norman Yee, and Ahsha Safai Sophia Kittler, Mayor's Liaison to the Board of Supervisors Eddie McCaffrey, Mayor's Manager of State and Federal Legislative Affairs Andres Power, Mayor's Policy Director Rebecca Peacock, Mayor's Office



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Resolution

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[Supporting House Resolution No. 233 - Condemning Duterte's Drug War -Urging Congressional Hearing]

Sponsors: Haney; Fewer, Mar, Mandelman, Peskin, Yee and Safai

Resolution supporting United States House Resolution No. 233, authored by Congresswoman Jackie Speier, condemning the Government of the Philippines for its role in state-sanctioned extrajudicial killings by police and for its continued detention of Senator Leila de Lima, condemning the Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte's drug war that has taken the lives of over 29,000 Filipinos, and urging San Francisco's Federal representatives to support a congressional hearing on the consequences of U.S. tax dollars being used to fund these activities, and advocating for the U.S. to cut aid to the Duterte regime.

4/23/2019 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Brown, Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

5/3/2019 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.



May 07, 2019 Date

FILE NO. 190423

RESOLUTION NO. 209-19

[Support for House Resolution No. 233 - Condemning Duterte's Drug War - Urging Congressional Hearing]

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WHEREAS, San Francisco is home and continues to be the port of entry to a significant immigrant Filipino community with a population of 36,479 individuals many of whom continue to support family and maintain close ties with the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, There is a long history of solidarity and intersectionality between the Filipino community and many San Francisco groups and constituencies including labor, faithbased, and school-based groups, and many San Franciscans are either directly impacted or deeply concerned about the plight of those in the Philippines who are victims of the government's drug war and martial law in Mindanao; and

WHEREAS, The Trump administration supports the strong-arm rule of Philippine President Duterte, whose brutal Drug War and other anti-people campaigns have taken the lives of over 29,000 urban poor, workers, indigenous and environmental activists, human rights defenders, religious leaders, and peace advocates; and

WHEREAS, Philippine government agencies themselves report 4,948 suspected drug users and dealers including 60 children died during police operations from July 1, 2016, to

September 30, 2018, and, according to the Human Rights watch, the Philippine National Police (PNP) have reported that a total of 22,983 deaths have been classified as "homicides under investigation," since the "war on drugs" began; and

WHEREAS, As of November 2018, the Alliance for Advancement of People's Rights also known as Karapatan has documented 216 extrajudicial political killings, 378 victims of frustrated political killings, 100 victims of torture, around 2,000 victims of illegal arrests, over 70,000 victims of threats and harassments, and nearly half a million internal refugees under the Duterte administration; and

WHEREAS, More than 16 mayors and vice mayors have been killed since President Duterte took office, and Duterte has blatantly spoken in press conferences advocating for the killing of Catholic bishops during a period when three Catholic priests were assassinated; and

WHEREAS, Labor leaders and legislators have also been amongst those attacked by the administration, with 30 labor leaders killed, 3 labor leaders being held as political prisoners, and Senator Leila De Lima who has been a staunch critic of the drug war killings has been detained for over two years; and

WHEREAS, Maria Ressa, a U.S.-born Filipina journalist and one of Time magazine's persons of the year in 2018, has been continually harassed and arrested for her continued critical reporting on Duterte's drug war and the breakdown of democracy in the Philippines, and who recently met with Facebook and Twitter regarding the use of their platforms by the Duterte regime to spread misinformation and harass critics; and

WHEREAS, The language for Foreign Military Financing to the Armed Forces Philippines (AFP) in the House Appropriations Bill of 2019 states that "Extra-judicial killings in the Philippines, including those committed in the conduct of the anti-drug campaign, erode confidence in the Government of the Philippines' commitment to human rights, due process, and the rule of law"; and WHEREAS, The U.S. government allocates money to the AFP and PNP through Appropriations for the Department of State, and Foreign Operations and Related Programs, and the current appropriations in the amount of \$184.5 million go to the Philippine military; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, Senator Barbara Boxer sponsored a congressional hearing which successfully pressured the Gloria Macapagal Arroyo administration to stop the killing of activists and organizers and laid the basis for successfully restricting U.S. aid to the Philippines until certain human rights conditions were met; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Committee for Human Rights in the Philippines (SFCHRP) along with the Malaya (Free) Movement are supporting the International Coalition for Human Rights in the Philippines' (ICHRP) pressure campaign for national divestment of U.S. military aid to the AFP and PNP; and

WHEREAS, Congresswoman Jackie Speier has sponsored House Resolution No. 233 condemning the Government of the Philippines for its role in state-sanctioned extrajudicial killings by police and other armed individuals as part of the "War on Drugs" and for its continued detention of Senator Leila de Lima on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 190423, and the Senate Resolution No. 142 sponsored by Senator Edward Markey also urges the Government of the Philippines to guarantee the right to the freedom of the press and to drop all the charges against Maria Ressa and Rappler on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 190423; and

WHEREAS, On April 6th-8th San Francisco faith and community leaders participated in the Malaya Summit for Human Rights in the Philippines held in Washington D.C. and was part of the effort to meet with over 100 congressional offices on this campaign; and

WHEREAS, On April 8, 2019, the San Francisco Labor Council unanimously adopted a Resolution to support this campaign on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 190423; therefore, be it

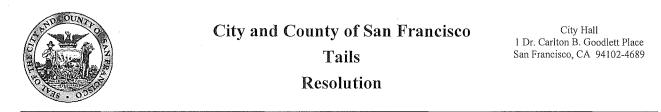
RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors condemns President Duterte's drug war that has taken thousands of lives without due process; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors also adds their support to the SFCHRP- Malaya Movement campaign and in doing so calls on the United States Department of Defense to divest from the Duterte administration and the Philippine military and police; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors supports Congresswoman Jackie Speier's House Resolution No. 233 and Senate Resolution No. 142 sponsored by Senator Edward Markey; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges our San Francisco representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi, U.S. Senator Kamala Harris, U.S. Senator Feinstein, and Congress member Jackie Speier to support a congressional hearing on the consequences of U.S. tax dollars going to the Philippine military and police and to champion cutting U.S. military aid to the Duterte regime; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors direct the clerk of the Board to send a copy of this Resolution to the offices of San Francisco representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi, U.S. Senator Kamala Harris, U.S. Senator Diane Feinstein, and Congresswoman Jackie Speier.



File Number: 190423

Date Passed: April 23, 2019

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April 23, 2019 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Brown, Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

File No. 190423

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/23/2019 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor 5/3/19

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