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May 22, 2020

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of the State of California 1303-10th Street, Suite 1173 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 154-20

Dear Governor Newsom:

On April 7, 2020, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 154-20 (Urging Statewide Action to Suspend ICE Detention Facilities), which was enacted on April 17, 2020.

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

One certified copy of Resolution No. 154-20 (File No. 200347)

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

c. Member of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisors Gordon Mar, Dean Preston, Hillary Ronen, Shamann Walton, Matt Haney, Norman Yee, Sandra Lee Fewer, Ahsha Safai, Rafael Mandelman 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 Paul Yoder, Karen Lange, Erica Smith, City Lobbyists - Shaw/Yoder/Antwih Inc.



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Resolution

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[Urging Statewide Action to Suspend ICE Detention Facilities]

Sponsors: Mar; Preston, Ronen, Walton, Haney, Yee, Fewer, Safai and Mandelman Resolution affirming that continued operation of ICE detention facilities during the COVID-19 emergency is inhumane; and urging California Governor Gavin Newsom to take immediate action to suspend ICE detentions in California.

4/7/2020 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

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

4/17/2020 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 22, 2020

Date

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board

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4	COVID-19 emergency is inhumane; and urging California Governor Gavin Newsom to
5	take immediate action to suspend ICE detentions in California.
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7	WHEREAS, California is home to more immigrants than any other state, and houses
8	one of the largest immigrant detention systems in the country; and
9	WHEREAS, On March 19, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive
10	Order N-33-20, ordering residents to heed the shelter-in-place directive of the State Public
11	Health Officer; and
12	WHEREAS, The threat of a COVID-19 outbreak in immigration detention facilities is
13	dire and imminent, and individuals incarcerated in California's immigration detention facilities
14	are some of the most vulnerable to coronavirus infection in the state; and
15	WHEREAS, The history of inadequate health care provisions at these detention
16	facilities exacerbate the concern around the current health crisis, putting at risk thousands of
17	lives; and
18	WHEREAS, The imprisonment and prolonged detention of asylum-seeking children
19	and families is inhumane; and
20	WHEREAS, Children and families incarcerated in U.S. Immigration and Customs
21	Enforcement ("ICE") detention facilities have suffered adverse effects from their imprisonment
22	including documented medical neglect, psychological trauma, and persistent harassment; and
23	WHEREAS, In light of the federal administration's erratic and irresponsible behavior
24	with respect to COVID-19 and the health, safety and welfare of individuals in immigration
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1	detention, the state must do everything in its power to protect all Californians and halt the
2	separation and detention of families; and
3	WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Homeland Security Advisory Committee on
4	Family Residential Centers published a report in September 2016 stating that detention is
5	generally neither appropriate nor necessary for families, and that detention or separation of
6	families for purposes of immigration enforcement or management or detention is never in the
7	best interest of children; and
8	WHEREAS, Detention facilities are designed to maximize control of the incarcerated
9	population, not to minimize disease transmission or to efficiently deliver health care; and
10	WHEREAS, This fact is compounded by often crowded and unsanitary conditions, poor
11	ventilation, lack of adequate access to hygienic materials such as soap and water or hand
12	sanitizers, poor nutrition, and failure to adhere to recognized standards for prevention,
13	screening, and containment; and
14	WHEREAS, The number of confirmed and presumed cases of COVID-19 in California
15	is growing, and health systems are already starting to be strained; and
16	WHEREAS, Social distancing measures recommended by the Centers for Disease
17	Control (CDC) are nearly impossible to adhere to in immigration detention, and testing
18	remains widely unavailable; and
19	WHEREAS, In detention facilities that are already at maximum capacity, large-scale
20	quarantines may not be feasible; and
21	WHEREAS, In the face of federal inaction, states and cities have a moral responsibility
22	to lead; now, therefore, be it
23	RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors affirms that the continued
24	operation of ICE detention facilities during the current public health crisis is inhumane and
25	endangers the lives of detainees; and, be it

1	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges Governor
2	Gavin Newsom to take immediate action to (1) call for the release of immigrants in detention,
3	(2) halt the expansion of all immigration detentions effective immediately, and (3) suspend the
4	transfer of individuals from California's custody to ICE; and, be it
5	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, upon passage of
6	this Resolution, shall transmit copies of this resolution to Governor Newsom.
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200347 File Number: Date Passed: April 07, 2020 Resolution affirming that continued operation of ICE detention facilities during the COVID-19 emergency is inhumane; and urging California Governor Gavin Newsom to take immediate action to suspend ICE detentions in California. April 07, 2020 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED Ayes: 11 - Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee File No. 200347 I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/7/2020 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco. Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board Unsigned 04/17/2020 London N. Breed **Date Approved** Mayor 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. 04/17/2020

Clerk of the Board

Date