

1 RESOLUTION URGING IMMEDIATE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON IMMIGRATION
2 REFORM AND A PATHWAY TO CITIZENSHIP

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4 **Resolution urging Congressional members to support H.R. 1511 and S. 2606**
5 **[Renewing Immigration Provisions of the Immigration Act of 1929] and ensure that**
6 **our immigrant workers have a pathway to citizenship**

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8 WHEREAS, The current immigration system is hurting countless people, holding back
9 America’s economy, and targeting our most vulnerable communities of color; and

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11 WHEREAS, The U.S. Congress has an opportunity now to offer a pathway to
12 citizenship to our undocumented sisters and brothers by championing efforts to pass H.R.
13 1511 and S. 2606 [Renewing Immigration Provisions of the Immigration Act of 1929], also
14 known as the Registry Bill, which would update the registry date by which immigrants must
15 have arrived in the U.S. to be granted permanent residency, from the entry cutoff date of
16 January 1, 1972 to those who have lived here for at least seven years, granting over 8 million
17 workers immediate relief and a pathway to citizenship; and

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19 WHEREAS, Congress has a historic opportunity to remove this systemic barrier and
20 ensure immigrant workers and their families are not threatened by fear of deportation; and

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22 WHEREAS, This is a moral obligation; the moment for bold leadership and a huge
23 breakthrough for America is now; and

1 WHEREAS, Aside from being the morally correct thing to do, this action would also
2 comport with the will of the American people, 70% of whom overwhelmingly support a
3 pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants; and

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5 WHEREAS, Congress must advance legislation creating a roadmap to citizenship for
6 undocumented families to apply for permanent residency and further contribute to our
7 economy, culture, and diversity; and

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9 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Immigrant Rights Commission calls on Congressional
10 members to support H.R.1511 and S. 2606 [Renewing Immigration Provisions of the
11 Immigration Act of 1929] and deliver immediate relief for millions of immigrant families who
12 are currently experiencing a wave of anti-immigrant policies and fear of deportation including
13 recent efforts by some states criminalizing immigrant workers and preventing them from
14 accessing social services; and

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15 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Immigrant Rights Commission stands in solidarity with
16 the 11 million undocumented immigrants, which includes essential workers, educators,
17 children, and neighbors who are fundamental to strengthening our economy; now therefore be
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20 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Immigrant Rights Commission urges immediate
21 action on humane immigration reform and relief for essential immigrant workers, families,
22 children, and seniors; and be it

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23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Immigrant Rights Commission shall
24 transmit a copy of this resolution to San Francisco and Bay Area members of U.S. Congress.

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