# RESOLUTION NO. 2017 -

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY IN SUPPORT OF CREATING A COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY FOR ALL RESIDENTS AND VISITORS

WHEREAS, National City has a rich and proud history of diversity that has been shaped by the cultural and economic contributions of immigrants from around the world, and immigrants and refugees continue to be vital to our shared prosperity as a City; and

WHEREAS, National City is home to nearly 25,000 immigrants and refugees, which represents nearly two out of every five of the City's residents, and approximately 72% of all households speak a language other than English at home; and

WHEREAS, the City of National City is uniquely situated in the heart of a booming binational region, just miles from the world's busiest land border crossing, which has fostered economic, social, and cultural ties across the border, and

WHEREAS, in the border region, national policies that direct federal agencies, including Customs and Border protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement, can lead to racial profiling and infringement of civil rights, diminishing the quality of life of residents in National City; and

WHEREAS, the City of National City recognizes that all people are deserving of assurance of the basic principles of equity and human rights, guaranteed to all people by the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of National City hereby declares National City to continue to be a City that serves and protects its residents and visitors with constitutional rights and due process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City employees will serve all residents, and City services will be accessible to all residents, regardless of immigration status.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs City departments and encourages local businesses, and charitable organizations to work with refugee and immigrant organizations to help provide services to families relocating to the City of National City and integrating into our communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of National City calls upon the President and Congress to do the following:

- 1. LIMIT POWERS WITHOUT WARRANT by enacting legislation that amends 8 USC 1357(a) to reflect the same limitations on warrantless law enforcement activities that apply across the country and adhere to constitutional protections.
- 2. LIMIT JURISDICTION within which officers can exercise the limited power without warrant by amending federal regulation 8 CFR 287.1 to refer to a distance which is strictly necessary, is supported

by clear, articulable facts related to national security, and is determined in consultation with local government and local communities through public hearings.

3. LIMIT PROFILING by issuing new agency guidance or enacting legislation that prohibits profiling in all routine immigration enforcement, without exception for the border region, and clarifies the limits on profiling in a non-routine enforcement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of National City as follows:

#### SECTION 1.

That the National City Council calls upon all City residents and all City Departments and employees to speak out against acts of bullying, discrimination and hate violence and to stand up for those who are targeted for such acts.

# SECTION 2.

That the City Council of the City of National opposes immigration raids and calls upon the President of the United States of America to continue the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) policy, and encourages our Members of Congress to get to work on a commonsense immigration reform that is fair and humane and that recognize the economic and cultural contributions of immigrants to our local communities, state and country.

### SECTION 3.

That in accordance with State and Federal laws, City employees, including members of the National City Police Department shall not enforce Federal civil immigration laws and shall not use city monies, resources or personnel to investigate, question, detect or apprehend persons whose only violation is or may be a civil violation of immigration law.

#### SECTION 4.

That the City Council of the City of National City stands in strong support of the California Values Act: SB 54 and we are committed to the principles and values embedded in SB54; to protect the safety and well-being of all Californians by ensuring that state and local resources are not used to fuel mass deportations, separate families, or divide Californians on the basis of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, immigration status, or national or ethnic origins. To uphold California's core values of equal treatment, community, family unity, and common humanity by ensuring that California's police departments, schools, hospitals, and courts remain accessible to Californians from all walks of life. Trust between immigrant communities and local law enforcement is critical to all our public safety.

#### SECTION 5.

The City Clerk shall attest and certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and it shall become effective immediately upon its approval.