COUNCIL ACTION FORM



PREPARED BY: **Brock Arner DATE OF MEETING: 5-7-07 DATE: 4-30-07 PHONE: 215-3000** SUBJECT: Resolution Requesting Federal Action in Improving its Immigration Policies APPROVED: **RECOMMENDATION** Adopt attached resolution **BACKGROUND** The Council appointed Vice Mayor Brown and Councilmember Calloway to draft a resolution on this subject for consideration by the entire council. Attached is the resolution that they jointly offer for your consideration. **FISCAL IMPACT** None **Departmental Coordination** Finance KL WARD. ☐ Comm. Services _____ □ Police ☐ City Clerk

RESOLUTION 2007-056

RESOLUTON OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Pablo recognizes that the issue of federal immigration policy is a subject of significant debate;

WHEREAS, National experts and policy makers agree our federal immigration policy is inconsistent, inadequate, and in need of reform;

WHEREAS, the San Pablo City Council desires that a fair and equitable process be established for persons from other countries who desire to immigrate to the United states lawfully;

WHEREAS, the San Pablo City Council recognizes the difference between immigrants who are in this country illegally and those illegal immigrants who engage in criminal acts apart from their immigration status. The San Pablo Police Department investigates all crimes without regard to their citizenship or immigration status;

WHEREAS, the San Pablo Police Department has worked hard to obtain the trust and respect of the law-abiding residents of the City in its continuing, unceasing efforts to maintain a safe city;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of San Pablo reaffirms and supports the Police Department's general order which outlines its obligations with regard to Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). In so resolving, the City Council recognizes that enforcement of immigration law is a federal matter and as stewards of the taxpayer's money, it is not the role of city government to participate in this enforcement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of San Pablo reaffirms its support for a comprehensive immigration reform that is fair.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the San Pablo City Council directs the City Clerk to send copies of this resolution to Michael Chertoff, Secretary for Homeland Security, and to Federal representatives, including Senator Dianne Feinstein, Senator Barbara Boxer, and Congressman George Miller.

ADOPTED this 7th day of May, 2007, by the following vote to wit:

McNeil, Calloway, Gomes, Brown and Morris AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: COUNCILMEMBERS: None NOES:

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

COUNCILMEMBERS: ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST:

APPROVED

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