[Urging a Safe Return of Oumar Yaide to San Francisco]

Resolution urging the United States (U.S.) Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris, and all interested federal agencies to ensure Oumar Yaide's safe return to San Francisco to reunite with his chosen family.

WHEREAS, Oumar Yaide fled persecution from the Chadian government and sought asylum in the United States in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Oumar Yaide has been a San Francisco and District 9 resident for nearly ten years; and

WHEREAS, Oumar Yaide is a vital part of the social and economic fabric of San Francisco and the greater Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, Oumar Yaide is a role model for our communities and local businesses not only as a hardworking employee within the food industry, but also as a philanthropist and supporter of his community who volunteers with local organizations and hosts fundraisers to donate to those in need; and

WHEREAS, In September 2014, Oumar lost his first asylum case before an immigration judge; and

WHEREAS, On December 2018, Oumar Yaide lost his final appeal for asylum before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, On August 28, 2019, Oumar Yaide was arrested by federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") at his apartment in the Mission District and was taken to Yuba County Jail; and

WHEREAS, Oumar Yaide, like many asylum seekers that come from countries that criminalize the LGBTQ community, delayed coming out due to fear, shame, and the risk of harm he might experience from family members and the government; and

WHEREAS, In 2017, Chad passed a law criminalizing same-sex activity, and Oumar's deportation to Chad risked putting him in harm's way, as it has for many other LGBTQ Chadians; and

WHEREAS, On December 1, 2019, the United States (U.S.) Department of Homeland Security erroneously deported Oumar overnight to Chad, violating his due process rights as a motion to reopen his case was still pending review at the Board of Immigration Appeals; and

WHEREAS, On December 18, 2019, U.S. District Court Judge Charles Breyer issued a decision ordering the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to bring Oumar back to the United States and stating that the department likely violated his due process rights; and

WHEREAS, Each day that Oumar spends in Chad increases his risk of facing a jail sentence, physical harm, or even death; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco supports Oumar Yaide's safe return to the United States; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein, U.S. Senator Kamala Harris, Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, and all interested federal agencies to ensure that Oumar Yaide is safely returned to his home and community in San Francisco; and, it be

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges Governor Newsom to issue an official statement requesting that Judge Breyer's directive to return Oumar to have his case adjudicated in the United States be honored; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors condemns the attacks from the Trump administration on Black, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer, and Muslim asylum seekers at the border and in our communities; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors affirms and upholds San Francisco's "Due Process for All" ordinance, further preventing the separation of families and violations against any individual's inalienable rights regardless of country of origin; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit copies to the members of Congress from San Francisco, the United States Senators from California, and the Office of the Governor of California with a request to take all action necessary to achieve the objectives of this Resolution.



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## Resolution

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February 04, 2020 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

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

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 2/4/2020 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor

02/14/20

**Date Approved** 

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 Clerk of the Board