RESOLUTION No. 37272

Authorize City Attorney to appear as amicus curiae to support City interests in fair treatment of immigrants (Resolution)

WHEREAS, The City of Portland supports the humane treatment of all persons, regardless of their immigration status; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has failed to take meaningful action to reform the nation's immigration laws to prevent unnecessary disruption of families and communities; and

WHEREAS, The President of the United States has issued Executive Orders that put federal grant dollars at risk for cities the Attorney General determines to be "sanctuary jurisdictions" and that limit entry into the United States by citizens of specified countries, regardless of their legal status; and

WHEREAS, There are a number of legal challenges to the lawfulness of these Executive Orders around the country; and

WHEREAS, The Cities for Action, a coalition of cities that advocates for comprehensive immigration reform, and its member jurisdictions, have asked the City of Portland to join in several amicus efforts in support of cities and immigrants, including actions brought by the Cities of Chelsea and Lawrence, Massachusetts, in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, and the by the County of Santa Clara, California, in County of Santa Clara v. Donald J. Trump, et al., USDC (N.D. Cal.) No. 5:17-cv-00574; and

WHEREAS, The City of Portland should support efforts to provide humane treatment to productive, long-term, law-abiding immigrants, and to protect the City's federal grants from forfeiture; and

WHEREAS, Frequently, when the City Attorney receives requests for participation in such cases, there is insufficient time to process a Resolution authorizing an appearance,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Portland, that the City Attorney or her designee, on behalf of the City of Portland, may file or join amicus briefs in support of local governments in City of Chelsea et al. v. Donald J. Trump, et al, USDC (D. Mass.), and in County of Santa Clara v. Donald J. Trump, et al., USDC (N.D. Cal.) No. 5:17-cv-00574, and in any resulting appeals in either of those cases; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Portland, that the City Attorney or her designee, on behalf of the City of Portland, with the consent of the Mayor, may file or join in any amicus brief, in any matter and in any forum, to support the interests of the City of Portland in the humane treatment of all persons, regardless of their immigration status.

Adopted by the Council: MAR 01 2017

Commissioner: Mayor Wheeler Prepared by: Harry Auerbach Date Prepared: February 13, 2017 Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland By

Deputy

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Wheeler	CLERK USE: DATE FILED FEB 21 2017		
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	Manulul Caballara		
Mayor—Finance and Administration - Wheeler	Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland		
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz			
Position 2/Works - Fish	By:		
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	Deputy		
Position 4/Safety - Eudaly	ACTION TAKEN:		
BUREAU APPROVAL			
Bureau: City Attorney Bureau Head: Tracy Reeve			
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Prepared by: Harry Auerbach Date Prepared:February 13, 2017			
Financial Impact Statement & Public Involvement Statement			
Completed 🛛 Amends Budget 🗌			
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes No 🔀			
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code. easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan			
Council Meeting Date Eebruary 22, 2017 3/1/2017 5p			

	FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:			
Start time:			YEAS	NAYS
Total amount of time needed:	1. Fritz	1. Fritz		
	2. Fish	2. Fish	\checkmark	
	3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	\checkmark	
REGULAR Total amount of time needed: <u>5 minutes</u> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	4. Eudaly	4. Eudaly		
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