

**CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON  
CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION  
URGING PROMPT ENACTMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM  
AND CONDEMNING ARIZONA LAW INVOLVING  
RACIAL PROFILING OF LATINO POPULATION**

ON APRIL 23, 2010, Arizona Governor Jan Brewer signed into law Senate Bill 1070. That legislation was the culmination of efforts over some years by the Arizona legislature to enact very controversial and stringent anti-immigrant sanctions. Previous efforts were vetoed by former Governor Janet Napolitano who now heads the Department of Homeland Security.

**ARIZONA WAS STRONGLY ADVISED** that several provisions of SB 1070 were unconstitutional and that its provisions mandated or encouraged racial profiling of Latinos. Pima County Sheriff Clarence Dupnik stated that he will not enforce the statute because of its patent unconstitutionality and also because the law requires racial profiling, something his department refuses to do<sup>1</sup>. The legislation was characterized by Los Angeles Cardinal Roger Mahony as "the country's most retrogressive, mean-spirited, and useless anti-immigrant law"<sup>2</sup>. Senator John McCain's daughter Meghan correctly noted that it was "essentially a license to pull someone over for being Hispanic"<sup>3</sup>. The law has been roundly criticized by other cities and by religious and civic leaders. President Barack Obama has called the law unfortunate and called for a legal review.

**ACCORDINGLY, THE CITY OF PORTLAND RESOLVES THAT:**

- **U.S. CONGRESS SHOULD PROMPTLY enact comprehensive immigration reform; and**
- **IT HEREBY registers its strong disapproval of and disagreement with Arizona's new anti-immigrant law.** This Council strongly condemns the codification of the racial profiling the Arizona law obviously calls for. We note that rather than provide for more security and safer communities, the new law will likely do the contrary. Mutual respect and trust are essential ingredients for law enforcement to function within communities. This law breaches and damages that trust. It also impairs the open and critical communication needed from all members of a community for law enforcement agencies to function.
- **COUNCIL FURTHER RESOLVES** that the appropriate offices of the City shall make a determination of the value and extent of any contracts and contacts the City, its bureaus and employees have with the State of Arizona and with firms domiciled in that state in the event this Council determines that further action is appropriate. The City will review all current Arizona travel plans its employees have scheduled. After appropriate study, Council will determine whether further action is appropriate.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://abcnews.go.com/print?id=10487582>

<sup>2</sup> <http://cardinalrogermahonyblogs.blogspot.com/2010/04/arizonas-new-anti-immigrant-law.html>

<sup>3</sup> "Meghan McCain Slams Arizona Immigration Law,"

[http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-503544\\_162-20003404-503544.html?tag=contentMain;contentBody](http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-503544_162-20003404-503544.html?tag=contentMain;contentBody)

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May 5, 2010

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Dear Council Members:

I am writing in strong support of Mr. Raymond C. Caballero's resolution presented today for your consideration. His draft resolution is a concise and eloquent statement on the legal, moral, and ethical reasons for taking a firm stand against Arizona's Senate Bill 1070. The passage and enforcement of Arizona Senate Bill 1070 is a major regressive step in our civil rights. Requiring law enforcement officers to question anyone they "reasonably suspect" of being an illegal immigrant and arrest them if they cannot document their legal status is draconian in the extreme. It harks back to the days when Blacks in America had to carry papers to prove they were free and not runaway slaves.

Arizona's regressive measure stands in stark contrast to efforts by Portland to recognize, respect, and honor Hispanics. This was most recently noted in the Council's perseverance in the two-year effort to rename 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue, now César E. Chávez Avenue. The city has recognized the steady growth in the Hispanic population and made efforts to respond positively in its educational offerings and opportunities. Nor is it insignificant that the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is developing its strong voice and presence in Portland.

I urge Portland's City Council to accept and adopt the resolution presented by Mr. Raymond C. Caballero. Doing so will include Portland in the growing number of individuals, civil rights organizations, businesses and industries, and professional organizations decrying Arizona's outrageous Senate Bill 1070.

Very truly yours,

Lionel A. Maldonado

**Press Release**

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**HACIENDA CDC STANDS AGAINST  
ARIZONA LAW SB 1070 AS "LEGALIZED DISCRIMINATION"**

*Calls on Congress and the President to Act with Urgency on Immigration Reform*

**Portland, OR**— Hacienda CDC denounces the "Immigration; Law Enforcement; Safe Neighborhoods" (SB 1070) recently enacted by Governor Jan Brewer's (R-AZ) as an affront to American civil rights, making all Latinos suspect in their own communities, regardless of their immigration status. This new law contradicts the values upon which this country was founded making it a misdemeanor to lack proper immigration paperwork in Arizona. Moreover, SB 1070 directs police officers to inquire as to immigration status on a "reasonable suspicion" that an individual is undocumented.

This troubling bill will also divert important resources from actual criminal law enforcement by prohibiting any government agency from creating policies to prevent the enforcement of immigration laws and allowing citizens to sue a city, town, or county if they believe a law enforcement agency is failing to uphold the law.

As a Latino community-based organization committed to the principles of social justice for all, we consider this newly enacted law a direct and blatant assault on the Latino community in the US. We urge every citizen, elected officials and civic organizations to work united to reverse this unprecedented setback in the fight for equality and civil rights and demand from the US Congress and the President to pass a fair and comprehensive reform act now.

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**Moore-Love, Karla**

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**From:** Raymond C. Caballero [rcc1910@comcast.net]  
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**To:** Moore-Love, Karla  
**Subject:** Request to address council on Wednesday 5 May 2010

To: City Clerk, City of Portland  
From: Raymond C. Caballero  
Purpose: Request to address council on Wednesday 5 May 2010

I am requesting an opportunity to address Council next Wednesday, May 5 in the morning session. The purpose of my request is to ask Council to issue a resolution of disapproval of last week's enactment by Arizona of a very controversial and probably unconstitutional anti-immigrant law. That law almost certainly requires racial profiling of the Latino population. The law is so controversial and questionable that the Pima County Sheriff has stated that he will refuse to enforce it. In addition to disapproving of the law I will also ask Council to take under advisement further action it might want initiate after the matter is studied. The Arizona law is relevant to all states as there are efforts everywhere to enact similar provisions. Statutes, such as Arizona's, deeply divide communities, hinder law enforcement and damage police-community relations.

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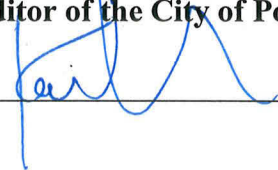
Request of Raymond C. Caballero to address Council regarding issuing a resolution of disapproval to Arizona's anti-immigrant law (Communication)

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