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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED PRESIDENT PRO TEM REID AND VICE MAYOR KAPLAN

RESOLUTION OPPOSING SENATE BILL 101 (KRUSE, SCHNEIDER, STEELE) RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RESTORATION ACT IN THE STATE OF INDIANA AS APPROVED BY GOVERNOR MIKE PENCE (INDIANA)

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 101 (Kruse, Schneider, Steele) in the State of Indiana prohibits a governmental entity from substantially burdening a person's exercise of religion, even if the burden results from a rule of general applicability, unless the governmental entity can demonstrate that the burden; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 101 (Kruse, Schneider, Steele) in the State of Indiana is in furtherance of a compelling governmental interest; and (2) is the least restrictive means of furthering the compelling governmental interest, and specifies that the religious freedom law applies to the implementation or application of a law, regardless of whether the state or any other governmental entity or official is a party to a proceeding implementing or applying the law, and, Senate Bill 101 (Kruse, Schneider, Steele) in the State of Indiana, prohibits an applicant, employee, or former employee from pursuing certain causes of action against a private employer; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 101 (Kruse, Schneider, Steele) in the State of Indiana, has caused many businesses, from Angie's List to Apple, to voice their disappointment with the passing of the bill, and that so many more people have called for a boycott of Indiana as a response, and the governors of Connecticut and Washington both announced that they would be cutting state-funded travel to Indiana; and

WHEREAS, opposing the new Indiana law, and any other similar law, which enables discrimination against oppressed persons and groups, including, but not limited to, opposing any law allowing discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people, and against religious minorities, and affirming that the right of all to practice our own religions, does not require allowing discrimination against others, in the true spirit of leadership and direction; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Council of the City of Oakland proclaims its opposition to Senate Bill 101 (Kruse, Schneider, Steele) in the State of Indiana.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL-WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID AND
PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California