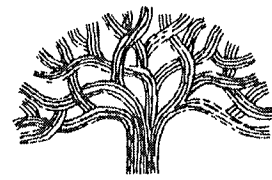


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Date: September 6, 2018
To: City Council
From: Councilmember Kaplan
Re: RESOLUTION URGING UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ABOLISH THE
IMMIGRATIONS AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT ("ICE") AGENCY

Dear Colleagues on the City Council and Members of the Public,

In 2003, immigration enforcement functions were transferred away from the Department of Justice to the newly created U.S. Immigration Customs and Enforcement (ICE) under the guise of national security. However, ICE's work has radically shifted from its "primary mission" of preventing acts of terrorism, as articulated by the Department of Justice in 2004, to carrying out detention and deportation activities as its core focus.

ICE's removal operations have torn apart families and communities and disrupted businesses throughout the country, and numerous Federal oversight bodies have documented substandard conditions and inhumane treatment of those in ICE detention.

In addition, the City of Oakland has gone on record as a Sanctuary City that acknowledges ICE's harmful effects on our community, and enacted Resolution No. 87036, which clarified that the Oakland Police Department "shall not provide law enforcement assistance, including traffic support, to ICE, including any subdivision of ICE, in any capacity, except to respond to a public safety emergency."

For these reasons, I am submitting a Resolution urging United States Congress to abolish the Immigrations and Customs Enforcement Agency.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rebecca Kaplan".

Councilmember At-Large Rebecca Kaplan