

**Resolution Urging Congress to Include the Removal of Qualified Immunity in the George
Floyd Act**

Sponsor: Berry, Ibanez, Li, Moliga, Gallotta, Williams, Lovett

WHEREAS, In politics, often deals are made before legislation is passed.

WHEREAS, The George Floyd Act is being negotiated and there is discussion about removing qualified immunity from the Act for it to pass.

WHEREAS, Qualified immunity is when police can only be held accountable for violating someone's rights if a court has previously ruled that it was "clearly established" those precise actions were unconstitutional. If no such decision exists—or it exists, but just in another jurisdiction—the official is immune, even if the official intentionally, maliciously, or unreasonably violated the law or Constitution.

BE IT RESOLVED, The San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee strongly encourages the United States House of Representatives to include the removal of qualified immunity in the George Floyd Act

Propounded by: Gloria Berry

Date Adopted: 06/23/2021

**Member Li motions to approve; seconded by Member Gallotta.
Motion passes by acclamation
with Members Pelosi and Kounalakis abstaining.**

Addendum: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/7120>

Education Funding Resolution: 2021-22 State Budget

Sponsor(s): Mogila

WHEREAS, the California State Legislature and the Governor of California have addressed some of the most pressing matters facing our public education system as a result of the pandemic in the budget, from increased Proposition 98 funding to additional funding for school meals and increased investments in broadband, which is shifting to new policy proposals while leaving any amount of the \$11.1 billion in funding deferrals unpaid may be problematic in the future when the growth in funding is uncertain. The Local Education Agency (LEA) will face a 2,400 percent increase in the School Employees Fund Unemployment Insurance rate at a time when the state has placed a layoff moratorium on school employers. The existing buy down of pension rates for both CalSTRS and CalPERS continues to be one of the most significant reliefs to LEAs, and the near future fiscal concerns of declining enrollment and the ending of an ADA hold-harmless year that reflects pre-COVID19 attendance compounded by the expiration of the current pension buy downs may lead to a fiscal cliff; and

WHEREAS, a true re-bench of the Proposition 98 guarantee is necessary to realize the goal of attaining universal Transitional Kindergarten. Special education funding should be equitable and aligned with the great strides made towards equity in the 2019–20 and 2020–21 State Budgets; and

WHEREAS, public school advocates, including the California School Boards Association, have called for the final budget to protect the Legislature's agreements to eliminate all apportionment deferrals; provide relief for the increase in the School Employees Fund Unemployment Insurance rates; and to buy down the long-term pension liability rates on behalf of school employers. Public school advocates, including the California School Boards Association have called for the final budget to include trailer bill language to re-bench the Proposition 98 guarantee; to apply the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) cost-of-living adjustment of 5.07 percent to special education.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee thanks the California State Legislature and the Governor of the State of California and urges them to stay vigilant and focused on the critical needs of local schools in the final 2021-22 state budget and address these key remaining issues that will have significant and ongoing financial impacts on schools.

Propounded by: Faauga Moliga

Date Adopted: 06/23/2021

Member Ibanez (proxy: Sarah Souza) motions to approve; seconded by Member Chen. Motion passes by acclamation with Members Ma, Feinstein, Kounalakis and Ting abstaining.

RESOLUTION DENOUNCING THE RECENT SURGE IN ANTISEMITISM

Sponsor(s): Mahogany

Berry, Li, Ibanez, Lovett, Gallotta, Moliga, Speier

WHEREAS, Since May of 2021, there has been an alarming surge in verbal, physical and online assaults against Jews across America, and internationally, including against Jewish diners eating outdoors in Los Angeles and Orthodox Jews in New York, local Jewish-owned businesses in San Francisco and elsewhere, synagogues, preschools and other Jewish community gathering places have been defaced with antisemitic graffiti; and

WHEREAS, According to a recent survey by the Anti-Defamation League, 63 percent of Jews surveyed have witnessed or experienced antisemitism over the past five years; more than 50 percent of Jews said they felt less safe in the U.S. today than they did a decade ago; antisemitic incidents more than doubled in May 2021 (115 percent), compared to the same time period in May 2020; on social media, there were over 17,000 tweets with some variation of “Hitler was right”: and

WHEREAS, Historically, the SF DCCC has stood firmly against antisemitism and taken action to address upticks in Jews being targeted, along with other ethnic and religious groups facing racism or racist attacks; now, therefore, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, In light of the volume and frequency of acts of intolerance, xenophobia and the evolving nature of antisemitism, we hereby reaffirm our commitment to an open and inclusive city that actively opposes all of these forms of prejudice, bias or discrimination against people based on religion, ethnicity, race, sex, national origin, immigration status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, and disability; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The SF DCCC condemns in the strongest terms the most recent surge in antisemitism and commits to fighting back against antisemitism; working to uphold principles of equality, pluralism and inclusivity; and standing in solidarity with the Jewish community whenever they are targeted or marginalized.

PROPOUNDED BY: Mahogany

ADOPTED: **06/23/2021**

Member Ibanez (proxy: Sarah Souza) motions to approve; seconded by Member Wiener (proxy: Matthew Rothschild), by acclamation with Members Ma, Feinstein, Kounalakis and Ting abstaining.

Resolution Supporting AB 1177, the California Public Banking Option

Act

Sponsor(s): Mahogany

Gallotta, Ibanez, Li, Williams, Moliga, Lovett

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco endorsed Assembly Bill 857, the Public Banking Act of 2019, as well as Assembly Bill 1177, the California Public Banking Option, through Resolutions passed by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Asm. Miguel Santiago, David Chiu, and Ash Kalra introduced AB 1177 to create BankCal and provide critical banking services, as nearly 1 in 4 Californians are unbanked, meaning they lack a bank account altogether, or are underbanked, meaning they have a bank account but still largely rely on alternative financial services, such as payday lenders, prepaid debit cards, and pawn shops charging usurious rates of as much as 300%, with nearly half of black and brown Californians lacking access to banking services; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 8721, as drafted by Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, would establish the Public Bank Grant program administered by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Federal Reserve Board which would provide grants for the formation, chartering and capitalization of public banks; it also codifies that public banks be recognized and served by the Federal Reserve and creates a pathway for state-chartered banks to gain federal recognition and recognizes a framework for public banks, states, and municipalities to interact with Fed Accounts, postal banking, and Digital Dollar platforms; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee supports AB 1177, which will provide Californians with a zero-fee, zero-penalty public option for essential financial services; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the following parties: House Speaker Nancy Pelosi; Representative Maxine Waters; Senator Dianne Feinstein; and Senator Alex Padilla.

PROPOUNDED BY: Honey Mahogany

ADOPTED: **06/23/2021**

**Member Lovett motions to approve; seconded by Member Moliga.
Motion passes by acclamation
with Members Feinstein, Pelosi and Kounalakis abstain.**

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR GIVING ALL ESSENTIAL WORKERS A PATHWAY
TO CITIZENSHIP THROUGH THE BUILD BACK BETTER BUDGET
RECONCILIATION AID PACKAGE**

Sponsor(s): Wiener, Williams, Tung, Kim, Lovett, Moliga, Li

WHEREAS: Throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic, we have seen how many of our immigrant/asylum-seeker/migrant brothers and sisters have unstintingly performed essential work in the US (transportation, retail, food industry, health care, child/elder care, agriculture, maintenance and cleaning) and have borne disproportionate consequences in the pandemic.

WHEREAS: There is an estimated eleven to twelve million undocumented migrants in the U.S. actively contributing their labor to the nation without the benefit of work authorization documents, vulnerable to labor abuses, and forced to live in fear of family separation due to sweeping Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE); They, along with all migrants in temporary programs like TPS and DACA should be able to plan for the future and enjoy access to healthcare, education and legal protection funded by the taxes they pay each year. (The Center for American Progress estimates that the potential exclusion of TPS beneficiaries alone from the labor market would cost taxpayers over \$3 billion, and the inability of these individuals to work will result in over \$45 billion in lost GDP over a decade and \$6.9 billion in lost Social Security and Medicare contributions)

WHEREAS: We believe that the soul of a nation is shown by how it treats its immigrants. The US has an opportunity to renew its commitment to its history and desire to act as a world leader in human rights by fairly incorporating all its residents into society. We must recognize and protect immigrants whose labor and sacrifices are an essential part of the U.S. society and economy.

WHEREAS Jeremiah 7:5-7 says, "For if you truly amend your ways and your doings, if you truly act justly one with another, if you do not oppress the alien, the orphan, and the widow, or shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not go after other gods to your own hurt, then I will dwell with you in this place, in the land that I gave of old to your ancestors forever and ever."

WHEREAS: The US Congress has an opportunity now to offer a pathway to citizenship to our undocumented sisters and brothers and those with temporary documentation after decades of failed or piecemeal immigration reform.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the San Francisco Democratic Party urges the administration and Congress to include a path to citizenship for all essential workers in the U.S., including those who are undocumented as well as those holding temporary papers, in the Build Back Better budget reconciliation aid package.

PROPOUNDED BY: State Senator Scott Wiener

ADOPTED: **06/23/2021**

Member Gallotta motions to approve; seconded by Member Lovett.
Motion passes by acclamation
with Member Pelosi abstains.