Resolution in Support of SB 1257 authored by Senator Maria Elena Durazo to Protect Domestic Workers by Repealing Exclusion from Cal/OSHA Workplace Health and Safety Standards

Sponsors: Lovett, Ibáñez, Ronen, Avalos, Thomas, Moliga, Williams

WHEREAS, in California, there are over 300,000 household domestic service employees comprised of housekeepers, day laborers and caregivers for children, persons with disabilities, and seniors, and two million Californian households rely on domestic workers to care for their homes and loved ones, with the majority of workers being immigrant women who typically work in isolation in private homes for very low wages, often as the primary breadwinners for their families; and

WHEREAS, in the private home workplace, occupational risks and hazards for domestic workers include physical and ergonomic demands, and exposure to infectious diseases and household cleaning chemicals; as well as the psychological stress resulting from the violation of their rights, including physical, emotional and sexual abuse by employers; this was recognized in 2011 when the California Legislature passed Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 163, finding that "domestic workers are entitled to industry-specific protections and labor standards that eliminate discriminatory provisions in the labor laws and guarantee domestic workers basic workplace rights, yet these workers continue to be excluded from Cal/OSHA health and safety standards;

WHEREAS, currently during the COVID-19 pandemic, domestic workers act as frontline workers providing care to Californians who are most vulnerable to illness; moreover, during the recent wildfires that devastated California, domestic workers and other household workers, such as day laborers, were asked to stay behind to fight fires, guard homes or pets, work in smoky conditions, and clean up toxic ash; such disasters have magnified the vulnerability and dangers that domestic workers and day laborers face because they are excluded from California's Occupational Health and Safety protections; and,

Be it RESOLVED that the SF Democratic Party urge the California's Legislature and Governor Newsom to ensure that domestic workers have access to health and safety training, information about risks in the workplace and the necessary protective equipment, as these workers are absolutely essential to the California economy and deserve health, safety, respect and dignity at work; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Democratic Party urge the California legislature to pass and Governor Newsom to sign the "The Health and Safety for All Workers Act" SB 1257, introduced by Senator Maria Elena Durazo and supported by the California Domestic Workers' Coalition.

PROPOUNDED BY: Li Miao Lovett

ADOPTED: (Date **08/26/2020**) By the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

Motion by Member Ibanez to approve by acclamation, seconded by Member Berry. Member Kounalakis abstains. Motions passes.

Reference: https://legiscan.com/CA/bill/SB1257/2019

Resolution to Urge support for and Participation in the 2020 Census

Sponsors: Tung, Lovett, Ting, Chiu, Mar, Loftus, Moliga, Ibanez, Chen, Dufty, Thomas, Li, Baraka

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by Article I, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution to conduct an accurate count of the population every ten years to enumerate every person residing in the United States; the Census is fundamental to ensuring that all residents of our City have access to fair representation, essential services, and economic development; and an accurate count of persons living in the City and County of San Francisco in the 2020 Census determines representation in our local, state, and federal governments for the next decade and the allocation of more than \$800 billion federal dollars per year for public services and infrastructure and informs state and local government expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the populations prevalent in urban areas like San Francisco are at high risk of being undercounted, including young children, people of color, LGBTQ+ individuals, low-income households, non-English speaking families, undocumented residents, tenants, foreign-born residents, and households with limited internet access; and currently, the self-response rate to the Census for the State of California is 65.0% and San Francisco County is the lowest reporting among Bay Area counties at 61.9%; and

WHEREAS, the Trump Administration has politicized the Census by promoting anti-immigrant policies by attempting to put in a "citizenship question" to disincentivize undocumented individuals from participating in the Census; by issuing a Presidential Memorandum dated July 21, 2020, to exclude undocumented individuals from the total population count of the United States; and by shortening the period of enumeration from October 31, 2020, to September 30, 2020, thus heightening the risk of undercounting, and increasing the likelihood that marginalized communities prevalent in San Francisco and California will not be counted;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Democratic Party urges all residents to do their civic duty to be counted in the 2020 Census, and urges all local elected officials to do their part to actively encourage participation within their districts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Democratic Party is committed to working in partnership with other local civic, business, and community leaders, the State of California, and others to engage, educate, and count every resident in the City and County of San Francisco in the 2020 Census.

PROPOUNDED BY: Nancy Tung

ADOPTED: (Date <u>08/26/2020</u>) By the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

Motion by Member Ibanez to approve by acclamation, seconded by Member Berry. Member Kounalakis abstains. Motion passes.

Resolution in Support of Saving the United States Postal Service and a Fair November 2020 Election

Sponsors: Thomas, Campos, Pelosi, Gallotta, Ibáñez, Ting, Mar, Raju, Feinstein, Berry, Chiu, Baraka, Mahogany, Tung, Campos, Dufty, Wiener, Chen, and Li

WHEREAS, The United States Postal Service is a pillar of our American Democracy and is enshrined in the Constitution, which empowers Congress to 'establish Post Offices and Post Roads.' The Postal Service provides services that are critical to the lives and livelihoods of the American people: ensuring that veterans and seniors receive their medicines, workers receive paychecks, taxpayers receive refunds and voters receive absentee ballots.

WHEREAS, The President's comments on the matter have affirmed that no patriotic tradition is immune from his abuse of power. The President made plain that he will manipulate the operations of the Post Office to deny eligible voters the ballot in pursuit of his own re-election.

WHEREAS, the Postmaster General continues to push forward policies that accelerate the crisis at the Postal Service, reducing worker hours, delaying mail, and removing mail sorting machines, which makes the job harder ergonomically and logistically for workers while also jeopardizing the on-time return of mailed ballots and silence the voices of millions of Americans in the middle of a global pandemic just months before an election; therefore

Be it RESOLVED that the San Francisco Democratic Party calls on the President to immediately cease his assault on the United States Postal Service and USPS workers by ordering Postmaster General DeJoy to quickly reverse his operational changes that have led to delays and service reductions for too many Americans and threaten to undermine our democracy. The President must also make clear that he will allow the 2020 election to proceed without sabotage tactics and enable the American people the same opportunity he and the First Lady requested this week to vote by absentee ballot; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the San Francisco Democratic Party (1) unequivocally supports the implementation of California's requirement to send postage-paid ballots to all registered voters, make drop off boxes widely available, and allow ballots sent by Election Day to be received and counted as long as 17 days from Election Day, and (2) will commit to educating and informing San Francisco Democrats, and all registered voters, about how to safely and securely vote by mail to make sure all voices are heard in this critical election.

PROPOUNDED BY: A.J. Thomas

ADOPTED: (Date 08/26/2020) By the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

Motion by Member Baraka to approve by acclamation, seconded by Member Dufty. Member Kounalakis abstains. Motion passes

Resolution in Support of San Francisco's Frontline Public Service Workers and Calling on the Board of Supervisors to Pass a Budget for All

Sponsors: Thomas, Campos, Ibáñez, Haney, Gallotta, Lovett, Dufty, LaCroix, and Mahogany

WHEREAS, San Francisco is reeling from the impacts of a global pandemic, systemic racism, and an economy that favors the wealthy. We need the Board of Supervisors to take the necessary steps to protect every resident of San Francisco, the vital public services we all benefit from, and the dedicated workers who serve our residents each day in the face of a dangerous pandemic.

WHEREAS, City workers, in addition to risking their lives every day on the frontlines of COVID-19, have already given back tens of millions in scheduled raises. City workers are doing more with less each and every day as a result of over \$560 million in annualized vacant budget positions.

WHEREAS, As of June 30, the General Fund budget reserves totaled over \$1 billion, of which over \$800 million could be legally spent in FY2020-21, and 2,391 budgeted vacant FTEs across the City and County's General Fund supported departments.

Be it RESOLVED that the SF Democratic Party urges the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to pass, and Mayor London Breed to sign, a budget that taps into the city's rainy day and reserve funds, curtails expensive contracting- and granting-out, to ensure no cuts to services or furloughs for workers.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Democratic Party urges the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and Mayor London Breed to support initiatives to make sure billionaires and wealthy corporations pay their fair share to fund public services.

PROPOUNDED BY: A.J. Thomas

ADOPTED: (Date <u>08/26/2020</u>) By the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

Motion by Member Ibanez to approve by acclamation, seconded by Member Berry. Members Cohen, Kounalakis, Tung, Feinstein, Wiener, Speier, Chiu and Ma abstain. Motion passes.

Resolution in Support of Justice for San Francisco Giants Ballpark Workers

Sponsors: Thomas, Campos, Haney, Ibáñez, Gallotta, Dufty, Mar, Mahogany and Raju

WHEREAS, after initially suspending games due to COVID-19 in March 2020, Major League Baseball games have now resumed. While fans are not permitted to attend in person due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, San Francisco Giants games continue to be broadcast on commercial television, radio, and online outlets.

WHEREAS, the Giants Major League Baseball team is estimated to be worth approximately \$3.1 billion and the team's owners have a collective net worth in excess of \$4 billion. The San Francisco Giants are one of only six Major League Baseball teams to have little substantial debt and are engaging in further real estate development around the ballpark which will substantially increase the wealth of team owners over time.

WHEREAS, the overwhelming majority of ballpark workers are people of color, whose livelihoods and communities have been disproportionately affected by the coronavirus; and many have loyally served fans at Giants games for decades and should be respected as part of the Giants family. Approximately 2,000 ballpark workers have now been locked out of their livelihoods and are struggling to keep their families afloat.

Be it RESOLVED that the SF Democratic Party condemns the San Francisco Giants' for the team's failure to look after it's loyal ballpark workers during the ongoing pandemic, despite the team owners' ample financial resources and resumed broadcasts; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director of the San Francisco Democratic Party, no later than 30 days after the passage of this Resolution, shall transmit copies of this Resolution to Charles B. Johnson, principal owner of the San Francisco Giants, and his representatives.

PROPOUNDED BY: A.J. Thomas

ADOPTED: (Date 08/26/2020) By the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

Motion by Ibanez to approve by acclamation, seconded by Member Dufty.

Members Tung, Loftus, Wiener, Kounalakis, Ma, Feinstein, Cohen, Ting, Pelosi and Speier abstain.

Motion passes.