## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

### RESOLUTION NO. 4-2017

On the motion of Coonerty duly seconded by Leopold the following resolution is adopted

#### RESOLUTION TO MAINTAIN TRUST AND SAFETY FOR LOCAL IMMIGRANTS

WHEREAS, many Santa Cruz County residents have deep concerns about the potential policies and actions of the President-Elect; and

WHEREAS, many immigrants are particularly fearful in the wake of the election; and

WHEREAS, it is important to make it clear that we are one community in Santa Cruz County and all of our children, mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers, regardless of immigration status, contribute to the social and economic fabric of this community; and

WHEREAS, it is important for our Board to make a statement of support to the immigrant community and for the County to be a place of trust and safety for immigrants who live and work in our community; and

WHEREAS, a relationship of trust between California's immigrant residents and our local agencies, including law enforcement, schools, and hospitals, is essential to carrying out basic local functions: and

WHEREAS, that trust is threatened when local agencies are involved in immigration enforcement; and

WHEREAS, a strong community is one that includes people of all backgrounds and invests in all of its people; and

WHEREAS, Santa Cruz County will be a model for a more just and equitable society for everyone.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that:

- 1. Santa Cruz County hereby declares itself a place of trust and safety in that no County resources may be used to assist in the enforcement of Federal immigration law or to gather or disseminate information regarding the immigration status of individuals or any other such personal information unless such assistance is required by Federal or State statue, regulation, or court decision; and
- 2. The Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors commends the Sheriff for not

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- entangling his department with federal immigration policies and for building trust with all the communities his department serves; and
- The Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors directs County departments to review their confidentiality policies in order to ensure that eligible individuals are not deterred from seeking services or engaging with County services based on immigration status.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this <u>10th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:

SUPERVISOR Leopold, Friend, Coonerty, Caput, McPherson

NOES: ABSENT: SUPERVISOR None

SUPERVISOR None

#### BRUCE McPHERSON

Bruce McPherson, Chair Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of said Board

Approved as to form:

County Counsel

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ ) SS

> SUSAN A. MAURIELLO, County Administrative Officer

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