

## League of United Latin American Citizens

Resolution to request LULAC denounce Florida's anti-immigration law

WHEREAS, of the league of United American Citizens (LULAC) is this nation's oldest and largest organization committed to ensuring that Latinos have equal access to opportunities in employment, education, housing, and healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the Florida State legislature has passed and Governor Ron DeSantis signed State Senate Bill (SB 1718) into law May 10, 2023 to be implemented on July 1, 2023 which is ethnically and racially motivated and blatantly unconstitutional and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the federal government to enforce the immigration laws of this country; and

WHEREAS, the human rights of all persons regardless of status or documentation within the borders of the United States are protected equally under the US constitution; and

WHEREAS, hate-filled legislative proposals such as SB 1718 have been proven to intensify economic, social, cultural, and political strains across communities and other states like Arizona and Texas, resulting in further marginalization of immigrant communities; and

WHEREAS, ethnic and racial profiling; which will undoubtably intensify in Florida as a result of SB 1718 is totally unacceptable and immoral; and

WHEREAS, the public safety of individuals and families who are the targets of ethnic and racial profiling, as witnessed in the contents of SB 1718, is threatened in Florida as their mobility and sources of employment become increasingly scrutinized; and

WHEREAS, the LULAC Florida Executive Board unanimously passed on May 18, 2023, a motion to support the travel advisory from the LULAC National office warning for those entering Florida; and



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WHEREAS, LULAC opposes any legislation that threatens the rights of immigrants, criminalizes them, or those who provide them assistance, and harms Latino communities, it is thus quite consistent to support all motions which state that no LULAC National convention be held in a state or U.S. territory where anti-immigration legislation becomes law; and

WHEREAS, the immigration related law in Florida SB 1718 does not protect Floridians, does not improve the living conditions of Floridians, and postponed the resolution of critical issues facing Floridians;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the LULAC National opposes and condemn actions against the Latino and immigrant committees by the state of Florida as written into its law SB 1718, which itself institutes a uniquely damaging environment for residence of Florida resident of states traveling to Florida

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