



League of United Latin American Citizens

RESOLUTION ON THE MISSING IMMIGRATION CHILDREN

WHEREAS, LULAC is our Nation's oldest, largest, and most respected Hispano/Latino civil rights organization, established in 1929. Our mission is to seek the advancement of Hispanic Americans in the areas of education, employment, and civil rights; and

WHEREAS, US Attorney General Jeff Sessions has announced a "zero tolerance" policy to address the border crossings from Mexico by Mexicanos, Salvadorenos, Hondurenos, and Guatamaltecós; and

WHEREAS, the number of separations of children from their families is rising in large part because of the "zero tolerance" policy implemented by Attorney General Jeff Sessions. In April, Sessions directed prosecutors to charge as many illegal entry offenses as possible; and

WHEREAS, this "zero tolerance" policy has led to the missing of 1500 immigrant children while under detention by the Department of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, this "zero tolerance" policy is a euphemism for an all-out attack on families meant to punish families who dare to seek opportunities for a decent life; and

WHEREAS, the "zero tolerance" policy will lead to the undermining of due process for immigrants; and

WHEREAS, the undermining of due process is a dangerous threat to our democratic process.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that LULAC joins other parties in challenging the legality of this "zero tolerance" policy by filing an Amicus brief with the MALDEF and other members to address the legal action ending this policy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that LULAC demands that all governmental bodies, including cities, counties, and other taxing jurisdictions, immediately end all public funding to any corporation, both for-profit and not for-profit (i.e.: Southwest Key, GEO, CCA, and others). There is no justification to support privatized prisons that separate our families, take babies from their mothers, imprison children, and continue to enable an inhumane, unjust, immoral, and unethical zero tolerance policy that puts the United States in a position of committing crimes against humanity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this 2018 LULAC General Assembly adopts this resolution and supports language and policies that will forever prohibit the support of any corporation, for-profit and not for-profit, that imprisons children separates families, and takes babies from their mothers' arms by using our tax dollars to accomplish the above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED that LULAC will denounce any local, district, and state LULAC organization that defies this resolution and will consider any such violation of this resolution grounds for impeachment and/or removal under Article VIII, Section 8 (A)(2) of the League of United Latin American Citizens Constitution, bylaws, and protocol.

Voted & approved by the National Assembly of the 2018 LULAC National Convention on July 21, 2018.

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LULAC National President