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## **Resolution Condemning Federal Law Enforcement Immigration Raids and Affirming Support for Immigrant Communities**

**WHEREAS**, the United States has a long history of being a beacon for immigrants seeking safety, opportunity, and freedom, and this diversity has been an essential component of the nation's identity and strength; and

**WHEREAS**, Harlem has historically served as a sanctuary for diverse communities, including African Americans during the Great Migration, immigrants from the Caribbean, Latin America, and Africa, and others who sought refuge and opportunity in its vibrant and welcoming neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, Manhattan Community Board 10 recognizes the historical injustices perpetrated against Indigenous peoples, including the theft of their lands, and acknowledges that no human being is "illegal" on stolen land; and

**WHEREAS**, policies and measures such as Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and other Federal Law Enforcement raids instill fear and uncertainty within immigrant communities, undermining public safety, trust, and the cohesive social fabric that binds our diverse communities together; and

**WHEREAS**, the current Federal raids authorized by the President of the United States further perpetuate a culture of fear, discrimination, and marginalization among immigrant communities, particularly targeting communities of color; and

**WHEREAS**, Manhattan Community Board 10 recognizes that creating an environment of inclusion, understanding, and protection is fundamental to the wellbeing of Harlem's residents and its continued role as a cultural and historical hub for people of all backgrounds; and

**WHEREAS**, the right to legal representation, due process, and humane treatment are enshrined in the principles of justice that this nation upholds; and

**WHEREAS**, Manhattan Community Board 10 acknowledges its role as a voice for the community in advocating for policies and practices that protect and empower all residents, regardless of immigration status;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Manhattan Community Board 10 condemns the Immigrant raids that are being carried out by Federal Law Enforcement launched by the President

of the United States and any measures that perpetuate a culture of fear, marginalization, and injustice within immigrant communities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Manhattan Community Board 10 will work in collaboration with coalitions and organizations advocating for immigrant rights to ensure that members of our community are informed and educated about their legal rights; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Manhattan Community Board 10 stands united with the Harlem community to protect and uplift all its residents, fostering a spirit of inclusion, solidarity, and justice; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Manhattan Community Board 10 reaffirms Harlem's legacy as a diverse and inclusive sanctuary for all and will continue to support measures that uphold the dignity, rights, and humanity of every individual in our community.

**Manhattan Community Board 10 voted unanimously in-support of this resolution during the February General Board on February 5, 2025 with 36 Yes, 0 No , 0 Recusals 0 Abstentions**