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Resolution on Hate Fliers at San Francisco State University

Whereas a number of fliers were posted on the San Francisco State University campus on or around October 15, 2016; and

Whereas these posters targeted a faculty member of Arab and Muslim Ethnicities and Diasporas Studies, of Arab and Muslim descent, smearing her by stating that she is a "collaborator with terrorists" and anti-Semitic ("#jewhated"); and

Whereas other posters targeted students who were organizing a forum on Palestine and by implication suggested they were collaborating with terrorists and anti-Semitic; and

Whereas the posters are claimed by both the Canary Mission and the Horowitz Freedom Center; and

Whereas the Department of Jewish Studies at San Francisco State has released a statement in which it "condemns frontpagemag.com's threats against one of our professorial colleagues, its reliance on an anonymous website that has targeted several of our undergraduate students, and its vandalism of our campus;" and

Whereas the targets of these posters have expressed fears for their physical safety;

Whereas leading members of the California Faculty Assoc. at SFSU have strongly condemned the posters and have called on "the university to take definitive legal action to stop these slanderous, libelous attacks and to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all who live, work, and learn at SFSU;"

Therefore Be It Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council call on San Francisco State President Wong to unambiguously defend the academic freedom and the intellectual reputation of Prof. Abdulhadi; and

Be It Further Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council call on President Wong to publicly and unambiguously defend the academic freedom and the right of free speech of Palestinian students, faculty and staff; and

Be It Further Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council call on President Wong to publicly and unambiguously condemn all forms of hate speech, including anti-Arab racism, anti-Semitism and Islamophobia, and to take all the necessary actions to stop hate speech on campus; and

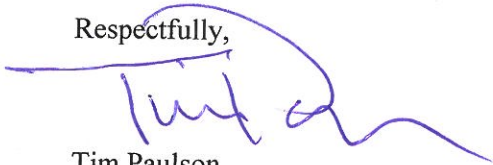
Be it Further Resolved that we call on Chancellor White to take full action against the authors of the fliers; and



Be It Finally Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council send this resolution to President Wong at San Francisco State University and Chancellor White of the CSU.

Submitted by Ann Robertson, C. F.A.; Dave Welsh, NALC 214; Allan Fisher, AFT 2121; Ana Fisher, AFT 2121; Kathy Setian, ISPTE Local 20; Rodger Scott, AFT 2121; Marcus Holder, ILWU 10 and adopted by the Executive Committee of the San Francisco Labor Council on January 3, 2017 and by the Delegate Body of the San Francisco Labor Council on January 9, 2017.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Paulson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

Tim Paulson
Executive Director

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