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WHEREAS, the City of Huntington Park is home to a vibrant immigrant community, including many mixed-status families who contribute to the cultural, economic, and social fabric of the city; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2020 U.S. Census, over 97% of the City’s population identifies as Latino or Hispanic, and a significant portion of households include foreign-born residents and first-generation Americans, making Huntington Park one of the most immigrant-rich communities in California; and

WHEREAS, recent federal immigration enforcement activity in the region — particularly by agencies such as ICE, HSI, Border Patrol, and other Homeland Security operatives — has increasingly involved the use of unmarked vehicles, masked agents, tactical gear, and personnel without visible identification or federal markings; and

WHEREAS, such tactics have been widely documented in national media and public forums, creating confusion and fear among residents, undermining the ability to verify whether those carrying out enforcement are legitimate federal agents or individuals posing as law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, numerous reports and video evidence show that even U.S. citizens and immigrants with lawful status have been mistakenly detained, questioned, or targeted, exacerbating distrust and public safety risks; and

1 **WHEREAS**, these enforcement methods blur the lines between local and federal law enforcement,
2 especially in the absence of clear agency identification, increasing the likelihood of miscommunication,
3 civil unrest, and community trauma; and
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5 **WHEREAS**, the City of Huntington Park is committed to the rule of law, civil rights, and the safety
6 and dignity of all its residents, regardless of immigration status; and
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8 **WHEREAS**, California law, including the California Values Act (SB 54), prohibits the use of local
9 resources to assist with federal civil immigration enforcement but allows municipalities to act within
10 their legal authority to monitor and protect their communities from unaccountable or unauthorized
11 activity; and
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13 **WHEREAS**, the City Council believes that non-cooperation must not be confused with inaction, and
14 that HPPD and City staff should proactively work within legal bounds to document, verify, and
15 safeguard against federal overreach;
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17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Huntington Park as
18 follows:
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- 20 1. Condemnation of Enforcement Tactics: The City strongly condemns using unmarked vehicles,
21 masked agents, and unidentifiable personnel in immigration enforcement activities conducted
22 within the City, and views such tactics as harmful to public trust, community safety, and
23 constitutional protections.
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- 25 2. Demand for Federal Transparency and Standards: The City calls upon the U.S. Department of
26 Homeland Security and its sub-agencies to implement clear, uniform identification standards for
27 all field agents, including marked vehicles, visible agency badges, and advance notice protocols
28 when operating in or near local jurisdictions.

- 1 3. Directive for Local Monitoring and Verification: The City directs the Huntington Park Police
2 Department to monitor any suspected federal enforcement activity in the City and, when legally
3 permissible, confirm the identity and legitimacy of individuals claiming to act as federal agents.
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- 5 4. Civil Rights Documentation and Reporting: HPPD shall document and report all incidents where
6 suspected federal enforcement activity involves questionable conduct, and refer possible civil
7 rights violations to appropriate legal and oversight authorities.
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- 9 5. Affirmation of Core Values: The City reaffirms its commitment to due process, equal protection,
10 and the rights of all individuals within its jurisdiction. Huntington Park will continue to uphold
11 its values as a safe, inclusive, and law-abiding community where government transparency and
12 public safety remain paramount.
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- 14 6. Exploration of Legal Remedies: The City Council directs the City Manager and City Attorney
15 to actively monitor federal enforcement activity within City limits for potential violations of civil
16 liberties and constitutional rights, and to explore legal remedies or interventions available to the
17 City under state and federal law, including but not limited to formal complaints, oversight
18 referrals, and litigation where appropriate.
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20 **APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF JUNE 2025.**

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23 Arturo Flores, Mayor

24 **ATTEST:**

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27 Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk

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1 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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4 Andrew Sarega, Acting City Attorney
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6 STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK

7 I, Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk of the City of Huntington Park, County of Los Angeles, State of
8 California, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2025-__ was passed and adopted by the City
9 Council of the City of Huntington Park, signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk at the Special
10 City Council Meeting held on the 25th day of June 2025 and that said Resolution was adopted by the
11 following vote, to-wit:

12 AYES:

13 NOES:

14 ABSTAIN:

15 ABSENT:

16 The undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Huntington Park, does hereby attest and certify that the
17 foregoing Resolution is a true, full and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a meeting of said City
18 which was duly convened and held on the date stated thereon, and that said document has not been
19 amended, modified, repealed or rescinded since its date of adoption and is in full force and effect as of the
20 date hereof.
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Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk

Dated: _____