RESOLUTION CALLING UPON ORANGE COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS TO PROHIBIT DIVERSION OF STATE & LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT RESOURCES FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAWS

WHEREAS, Orange County is home to one of our nation’s largest communities of undocumented immigrants who contribute to our local economy, and seek access to the promise of America and the American Dream for themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government under the Trump Administration seeks to forcefully compel cities, counties and states to divert state, county, and local resources to enforce federal laws outside of their jurisdiction to identify and report members of their communities who are not in compliance with U.S. immigration laws which are the sole province of Federal Authorities, and over which State and Local law enforcement have no jurisdiction or obligation to enforce; and

WHEREAS, the enforcement of Federal Immigration Laws diverts critical law enforcement resources from their duties and obligations to protect their communities and enforce State and Local laws which actually fall under their jurisdiction; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Democratic Party of Orange County calls upon all Orange County elected officials to prohibit local law enforcement from expending any time or resources investigating or communicating information pertaining to a person’s immigration status with federal immigration officials or authorities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Democratic Party of Orange County condemns President Donald J. Trump’s and the Republican Party’s attacks on Orange County’s immigrant families through policies and politics that seek to separate families and, instead, calls upon the president and Republicans to work with Democrats to pass comprehensive immigration reform.

Respectfully Recommended by the Resolutions Committee on 2.10.2017

Adopted by the Democratic Party of Orange County
At its February 27, 2017 Central Committee Meeting