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A RESOLUTION calling for federal-level immigration reform and denouncing Arizona State Senate Bill 1070 (Arizona SB1070) as a step in the wrong direction,

WHEREAS: The Mummy Range Institute believes our nation is in need of immigration reform that restores due process for all and fully supports the following five meaningful and comprehensive immigration reform principles:

- Increase border security and enforcement;
- The protection of human and civil rights of both citizens and non-citizens being detained;
- More support for city and state governments which are disproportionately shouldering the costs of the current broken immigration system;
- The use of new technologies to match up foreign workers with jobs in this country that are going unfilled (guest worker program);
- The elimination of current obstacles to citizenship that have resulted in 10-12 million undocumented residents living in the shadows, would improve enforcement, and provide a path so people have the opportunity to become citizens, and;

WHEREAS: The individuals being targeted by SB 1070 are not strangers. Our everyday American lives are inextricably bound to theirs. SB 1070 will not only intimidate this nation's nannies and gardeners, but also it's nurses and home care workers. And it will not stop there. It will intimidate our nations college students, teachers, doctors, lawyers, and engineers. Anyone who looks Latino - whether they are citizens, legal permanent residents, temporary visa holders, and the undocumented - will be a primary targets under this law; now therefore be it

WHEREAS: frustration with the slow pace of federal reform has driven some heavily affected communities to take action; and

WHEREAS: Such reform would **NOT** criminalize individuals who provide healthcare, education, food or shelter for immigrants and;

WHEREAS: Arizona Senate Bill 1070 specifically allows for Arizona's local and state police to enforce federal immigration laws, which are, by definition, under the jurisdiction of federal law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS: Arizona Senate Bill 1070 allows for police officers to specifically profile Latino residents and request proof of residency whether or not a suspect is accused of committing any crime; and

WHEREAS: Arizona Senate Bill 1070 will have a decidedly negative impact on the 1,785,737 Latinos who are currently in Arizona legally, who make up 22% of Arizona's population; and

WHEREAS: Arizona Senate Bill 1070 will specifically impact Arizona's Latino population only, the legislation creates a system of institutionalized racial profiling; and

WHEREAS: local governments should meet the health, safety and education needs of all citizens without suspicion that communicating with local officials will lead to arrest; and

WHEREAS: the Arizona State legislature passed Arizona SB1070, which Arizona Governor Jan Brewer signed into law on April 23, 2010; and

WHEREAS: Arizona SB1070 requires police "when practicable" to detain people they "reasonably suspect" are in the country without authorization; allows the police to charge immigrants with a state crime for not carrying immigration documents; creates a private right of action to sue cities upon belief that the government has a policy or practice that restricts immigration law enforcement; and makes it a crime to stop on a public street to attempt to hire a temporary worker; and

WHEREAS: Arizona SB1070 will jeopardize public safety and drive a wedge between law enforcement and ethnic communities; and

WHEREAS: Undocumented workers who manage to obtain social security cards are paying into social security and medical for which they will never get these benefits; and

WHEREAS: President Barack Obama has stated that Arizona SB1070 threatens "to undermine the basic notions of fairness that we cherish as Americans, as well as the trust between police and their communities that is so crucial to keeping us safe"; and

WHEREAS: Civil rights leaders, constitutional rights scholars, government officials, and police chiefs across the country, have raised significant concerns with Arizona SB1070; and

WHEREAS: Arizona cities including Flagstaff, Phoenix, and Tucson are considering taking legal action against Arizona SB1070;

WHEREAS: On July 6, 2010, The United States Attorney General filed a lawsuit in the Phoenix Federal Court, invoking the "Supremacy Clause" in the U.S. Constitution that declares that "any state law that conflicts with a federal law is preempted." The suit also asked that an injunction be filed to keep the law from going into effect on July 29, 2010; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that The Mummy Range Institute registers it's strong opposition to Arizona Law SB 1070; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mummy Range Institute support the court challenges to Arizona Law SB 1070 brought by Arizona mayors and/or their cities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mummy Range Institute opposes the enactment of laws similar to Arizona Law SB 1070 in other states; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Mummy Range Institute encourages citizens, businesses, churches, schools, organizations, associations, and others, to boycott the State of Arizona and Arizona-based businesses until Arizona repeals SB 1070, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mummy Range Institute calls on the Congress to quickly enact comprehensive immigration reform legislation which incorporates the five principles for reform as outlined above.