

1 **[Youth Commission supports of students standing up for respect and justice and urges the**
2 **Board of Supervisors and Mayor to condemn newly issued morality clauses and their effects**
3 **on students and educators]**

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5 Supplemental Information

6 Beginning in February 2015, high school students at Sacred Heart Cathedral Prep began rallying
7 against new morality clauses proposed by the San Francisco archdiocese that would be added to the
8 teacher handbook for the 2015-16 school year.

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10 Among the proposed morality clauses are recommendations that teachers and staff at Bay Area high
11 schools within the Archdiocese accept “morality clauses” that condemn homosexuality as contrary to
12 “natural law,” contraception as “intrinsically evil,” ordination of female priests as impossible, and use of
13 assisted reproductive technology as a “grave evil.” Every staff member would be expected to “conduct
14 their lives so as to not visibly contradict, undermine or deny these truths.”

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16 Students held demonstrations, began an online petition proclaiming that “Discrimination and Fear
17 Don’t Belong in Our Schools!” and began a social media campaign: #TeachAcceptance.

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