

1 [Post-Election Anti-Complacency Statement]

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3 **Motion responding to the election of President Elect Joe Biden and reaffirming the**
4 **Youth Commission’s commitment to advocate for marginalized communities and hold**
5 **elected officials accountable.**

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7 WHEREAS, On November 8, 2020, Joe Biden was determined as the President-elect
8 for the 2020-24 term of presidency, along with Vice President-elect Kamala Harris; and

9 WHEREAS, In the last four years, the United States has seen an upswing in instances
10 of white supremacy, with many of the perpetrators having ties to white supremacist
11 organizations; and

12 WHEREAS, The New York Times has reported that the Federal Bureau of
13 Investigations reported 20% a spike in hate crimes during the Trump Administration, the
14 highest spike in reported hate crimes in sixteen years, reflecting increased hate crimes
15 against the Latine, Muslim, and Asian American communities; and

16 WHEREAS, While both elects have spoken against the former administration and their
17 actions, President-elect Biden has continuously insisted that the Trump administration’s
18 previous actions and sentiments do not accurately reflect America; and

19 WHEREAS, Many marginalized people are worried and feel a great amount of
20 uncertainty given Joe Biden’s and Kamala Harris’ troubling history with racism, mass
21 incarceration, the War on Drugs, and sexual violence; and

22 WHEREAS, Joe Biden supported the War On Drugs and authored laws such as the
23 Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986 that helped that movement, and his actions have since
24 negatively impacted marginalized groups of people, especially low-income Black and Brown
25 people; and

1 WHEREAS, Though Vice President-elect Kamala Harris has claimed to align her views
2 with the progressive movement, she has contradicted herself multiple times on the issues she
3 supports and made her ideology seem more moderate than progressive; and

4 WHEREAS, Anti-Blackness, racism, homophobia, transphobia, xenophobia and other
5 oppressions has been historically embedded in America’s culture; and

6 WHEREAS, Despite the City of San Francisco’s progressive reputation, no area or
7 elected official, including San Francisco and its Board of Supervisors, is exempt from
8 previously and currently perpetrating oppression against marginalized communities; and

9 WHEREAS, In 2017, in response to the election of President Donald Trump, the Youth
10 Commission passed a resolution to reaffirm its commitment to advocating for all young people
11 regardless of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, documentation status, ability, and other
12 identities; and

13 WHEREAS, In 2019, the Youth Commission passed a resolution denouncing sexual
14 violence and perpetrators while also standing with sexual assault survivors; now, therefore, be
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16 MOVED, That the Youth Commission recognizes that the fight against white
17 supremacy and systemic anti-Blackness, racism, and Islamophobia is far from over; and, be it

18 FURTHER MOVED, That the Youth Commission reaffirms its previously determined
19 commitment to hold elected officials accountable to their commitments to marginalized
20 communities, specifically Black, Indigenous, and other people of color, LGBTQIA+, immigrant
21 and low income communities, that have been routinely disregarded by those in power; and, be
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23 FURTHER MOVED, That the Youth Commission continues to work against centrism
24 and oppression that ultimately inflicts harm and pain on all marginalized communities; and, be
25 it

1 FURTHER MOVED, That the Youth Commission continues to work to support and
2 stand with sexual assault survivors and work alongside them to end sexual assault,
3 harassment, and violence; and

4 FURTHER MOVED, That the Youth Commission commits to fighting complacency,
5 bigotry and systemic oppression, regardless of who is in a political position of power at the
6 national, state or local level.

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Nora Hylton, Chair
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