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RESOLUTION OPPOSING CALIFORNIA'S UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND DESTRUCTIVE SANCTUARY LAW

WHEREAS, Sanctuary State/County/City Laws prevent state and local law enforcement from working with Federal law enforcement ("ICE") to identify and apprehend illegal immigrants including those who have both entered the country illegally and then committed one or more felonies once here.

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution provides for the supremacy of federal law over contradictory state and local law and affords the Federal government exclusive authority over immigration legislation and national border protection.

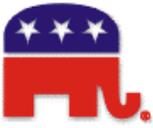
WHEREAS, Sanctuary State/County/City Laws will increase illegal immigration and send the wrong message to the world that immigrants can come across our borders illegally and be afforded protection from deportation even after the commission of an additional crime.

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2018, the Attorney General of the United States of America filed an action entitled, *The United States of America v. The State of California, et al.*, Case No. 18-264 in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California (the "Action"). The Action seeks a declaratory ruling that California's Sanctuary State Law violates the Supremacy Clause of the United States Constitution.

WHEREAS, vigorous opposition is growing throughout California regarding the state's brazen disregard for the rule of law. Many cities and counties are 'opting out' of California's Sanctuary Law in support of the rule of law.

WHEREAS, these unconstitutional laws are offensive to those immigrants who went through the arduous process of entering this country legally and who deserve to have the support of the state and local governments in protecting them and the rest of the citizenry from those who seek to enter this country illegally and then wreak havoc once here.

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RESOLVED, the Republican National Committee stands united against the California Sanctuary Law that provides protection against deportation for illegal immigrants who commit criminal acts against lawful citizens of this country. We further support the action brought by President Donald Trump and the Attorney General, and the growing majority of citizens opposed to any legislation that seeks to stifle cooperation between law enforcement agencies.

Respectfully submitted,

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