

RESOLUTION 06-58, SERIES 2006

**OPPOSING THE PASSAGE OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 4437
(BORDER PATROL, ANTITERRORISM, AND ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION
CONTROL ACT OF 2005)**

WHEREAS, On December 16, 2005, the United States House of Representatives passed HR 4437, sponsored by Representative Sensenbrenner of Wisconsin. This bill is currently in the Senate; and

WHEREAS, this bill would make it a felony offense to be in the United States without proper documentation, as well as make it a felony criminal offense for anyone, including educators, medical professionals, social workers and clergy, who assist undocumented immigrants; and

WHEREAS, this bill would bar asylum seekers and refugees convicted of minor offenses from legal residence and eventual citizenship in the United States; and

WHEREAS, HR 4437 would require local law enforcement officials to act in the capacity of federal immigration agents; and

WHEREAS, the city of Davis could lose thousands of dollars in federal funding if the federal government determines that we do not adequately comply with the enforcement of the proposed bill; and

WHEREAS, HR 4437 is potentially discriminatory and punitive in approach and does nothing substantive to provide new avenues for legal immigration or to address in a comprehensive fashion immigration issues of importance to our community and region.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Davis:

- 1) HEREBY urges the United States Congress and the President of the United States not to pass HR 4437; and
- 2) HEREBY calls upon the Mayor of Davis to forward this resolution immediately to President George W. Bush, Representative Mike Thompson, U.S. Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, State Senator Michael Machado, State Assembly Member Lois Wolk and the Supervisors for Yolo County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Davis on this eighteenth day of April 2006 by the following vote:

AYES: ASMUNDSON, GREENWALD, SAYLOR, SOUZA, PUNTILLO

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE


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MAYOR


Margaret Roberts, CMG
City Clerk