RESOLUTION NO. ________________

WHEREAS, The City of Austin has opposed Senate Bill 4 through legislative and legal opposition; and

WHEREAS, The City of Austin must strive to adhere to the principles of the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, The City of Austin must strive to be transparent in its operations and clear about the dedication of its resources; and

WHEREAS, The City of Austin must strive to be an inclusive community for all people, especially those who are marginalized or oppressed; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Council directs the City Manager to send a monthly memo to the City Council, for the purposes of transparency, that will provide data concerning the enforcement of immigration laws, and that will provide information about the use of City resources for immigration enforcement:

The report should document:

1. Anonymized and individualized records of every instance that a police officer inquires into the immigration status of a suspect. Such records should include a documented reason for the stop or the arrest, the reason for the inquiry into immigration status, the race and ethnicity of the person, and the date and general location of the incident. The report should not include information that would jeopardize any ongoing criminal investigation or prosecution.

2. All City resources used on immigration law enforcement assistance, and a justification for the use of those resources in relation to City’s budget, public safety priorities, the City’s strategic priorities, or a legal requirement. Immigration enforcement assistance includes, at a minimum: contacting an immigration law enforcement agency to provide the agency information about a resident or person in custody, transferring custody of an individual to an immigration law enforcement agency, responding to an immigration law enforcement agency’s
request for information, providing backup for an immigration law enforcement agency, engaging in joint operations with an immigration law enforcement agency, and facilitating immigration arrests or interrogations of individuals in conjunction with an immigration law enforcement agency. Such a report should include the number of officers that assisted immigration law enforcement, the amount of time those officers were involved in such assistance, the financial resources and human resources dedicated to such assistance, and, when it is possible to identify, what, if any, other criminal law enforcement work was scheduled to be completed and was delayed or was incomplete due to the immigration law enforcement assistance provided.

(3) Information that the City shared with a federal immigration agency at the request of a federal immigration agency. The information provided should be anonymized and aggregated. The information provided should include, at a minimum, how many records, and what kinds of records, were requested from and shared by Austin. The report should include aggregated data about information shared related to criminal charges, immigration status, criminal cases, addresses, work information, contact information, and statements made to local police.

ADOPTED: ____________, 2017

ATTEST: ______________________
Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk