



COMMISSION ON IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS

Recommendation Number: 2020422-002A1

Regarding: Mental Health Services for the Immigrant Community

WHEREAS, the community has presented concerns that mental health needs of the immigrant community are not being met, and that services are not culturally appropriate and may not be provided in needed languages

WHEREAS, immigrant communities might not reach out for mental health services for a multitude of reasons, including experiences in their countries of origin and that treatment models might need to be different for different communities

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission on Immigrant Affairs is supporting the proposals of the Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Commission regarding mental health services, and of the Asian American Quality of Life Commission, except we do not support taking funding from the Community Health Worker program. In addition to the organizations mentioned by those two commissions, we are aware that the City funds Catholic Charities to provide sliding scale mental health services to the immigrant community, and we support those efforts and would like to seek additional funding for them.

PASSED by the Commission on Immigrant Affairs on April 22, 2020.

Unanimously approved by the Commission on Immigrant Affairs on an 10-0 vote with Glenn Rosales and Banafsheh Madaninejad absent.

Attest:

*Connie H. Gonzales*  
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Staff Liaison