

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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Date: April 25, 2017

Subject: Boycott of United Airlines for City Travel

Recommendation

adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE ELSINORE, CALIFORNIA, BOYCOTTING USE OF UNITED AIRLINES FOR CITY PAID TRAVEL FOR THE CITY COUNCIL AND STAFF MEMBERS.

Background

On April 9, 2017, United Airlines forcibly removed a 69-year-old passenger, David Dao, from a flight after he refused to vacate his seat on an overbooked flight. Dao suffered a concussion, broken nose and lost two teeth after Chicago aviation police drug him off the flight. The disturbing scene was captured on video by other United Airlines passengers and spread rapidly online causing an enormous backlash and boycotts against the airline carrier.

Discussion

In light of this incident and at the request of Councilmember Steve Manos, staff has prepared the attached resolution (Exhibit A) boycotting United Airlines by no longer allowing councilmembers and staff to fly United Airlines for City paid travel.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact.

<u>Exhibits</u>

A – Resolution