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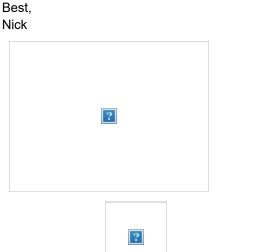
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Hello. My name is Nicholas Gee, and I'm an advocate with Chinese for Affirmative Action, a 56 year old civil rights based organization in SF Chinatown and member of the Language Access Network. I also advocate for immigrant and limited English proficient (LEP) communities in San Francisco. Through my work I see daily how language access can be the difference between opportunity and exclusion.

I'm here to express my strong support for the recommendation to retain the Immigrant Rights Commission (IRC). The IRC plays a vital role in monitoring the Language Access Ordinance and ensuring its effectiveness for LEP communities. Its work has real, tangible impacts—and it must be maintained as an ongoing, independent Commission with no sunset date.

The IRC also serves as a critical partner to OCEIA, helping shape inclusive city policies and events, advising leadership, and elevating immigrant voices across San Francisco. Their community engagement, especially during this volatile national climate, makes the IRC a trusted advocate and connector for immigrant communities.

I urge you to preserve and strengthen the IRC and ensure its continued role in shaping the development of the Language Access Ordinance. Thank you for your consideration.



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