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Chair Ed Harrington and Members
Commission Streamlining Task Force
1 Dr Carlton B Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102
Emailed to: CommissionStreamlining@sfgov.org

Re: Support Recommendations to Strengthen and Keep the Immigrant Rights Commission (IRC)

Dear Commission Streamlining Task Force Chair and Members,

On behalf of Chinese for Affirmative Action, I am writing to express our strong support of your recommendation to retain the Immigrant Rights Commission, and remove the automatic sunset term. Chinese for Affirmative Action (CAA) was founded in 1969 to protect the civil and political rights of Chinese Americans and to advance multiracial democracy in the United States. Today, CAA is a progressive voice in and on behalf of the broader Asian American and Pacific Islander community, providing service to residents directly in San Francisco's Chinatown. We champion fighting for immigrant rights, language diversity, economic justice to education and digital equity.

As a founding member of Language Access Network of SF, the IRC plays a significant role in the improvement and implementation of the Language Access Ordinance alongside the OCEIA, we continue advocating for their duties to be expanded to evaluate the requirements of the LAO and include revisions to the LAO Policy and OCEIA's responsibilities. The IRC consistently brings strong community participation and lends itself to remain strong as its own commission. We support your recommendations on the IRC to move forward.

Sincerely,

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