Congress Bills for the Bay Area Close Out

Round 1 - A Resolution to Ban Gene Patenting

- 1 WHEREAS, Strong corporations, such as Monsanto, have created Genetically Modified (GM)
- 2 foods and sued neighboring farmers for unknowingly selling the
- 3 GM crops due to uncontrollable factors; and
- 4 WHEREAS, This would reduce the potential of a dangerous monopoly; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Patents harm farmers that don't have the money to fight lawsuits, which in
- 6 some cases leads to the loss of their land and livelihood; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Such patents have created tensions between the United States and
- 8 neighboring countries; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Patents expand the privatization of technology and scientific advance; and
- 10 WHEREAS, A company should not be able to put a patent on living organizations;
- 11 now, therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, By the Congress here assembled ban gene patents of all crops and possible
- 13 sources of food; and be it
- 14 FURTHER RESOLVED, All existing patents related to the modification of plant genes
- 15 hereby be declared null and void.

Round 2 - A Bill to Invest in India's Energy Sector to Promote Infrastructural Development

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 Section 1. The United States shall send 10 billion dollars to the Indian government
- 3 over a period of 5 years to invest in India's energy sector.
- 4 Section 2. India's energy sector shall include, but not be limited to, renewable
- 5 energy, oil, and natural gas.
- 6 Section 3. The United States Department of State and Environmental Protection
- 7 Agency shall jointly oversee the enforcement of this legislation.
- 8 A. Oversight will entail an evaluation of funds and how they have been
- 9 spent every six months.
- 10 B. If funds have not allowed for adequate development of renewable
- 11 energy within the research and development phase after two years,
- 12 then funds will be decreased by 25%.
- 13 C. These funds will be used to remodel India's infrastructure to provide
- 14 smart grid systems, re-vamped infrastructure for the energy
- 15 department, and investments in private companies that are located in
- 16 the region that specialize in energy development.
- 17 SECTION 4. The legislation shall go into effect within 60 days of passage.
- 18 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Round 3 - A Bill to Prohibit Sanctuary Campuses

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 Section 1. Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 is amended to add the following:
- 3 A. No institution of higher education may institute a policy which
- 4 knowingly provides education to persons not legally in the United
- 5 States, or
- 6 B. Refuses to provide information to the Department of Homeland
- 7 Security regarding their knowledge of the lawful status of attending
- 8 students.
- 9 SECTION 2. Institutions of higher education will include any 2 year or 4 year college
- 10 or university which receives federal funding for any program under Title IV.
- 11 SECTION 3. If the Secretary of Homeland Security determines that a campus is in
- 12 violation of Section A, they will notify the Secretary of Education, who
- 13 shall notify the institution of said violation and potential loss of federal
- 14 funding.
- 15 SECTION 4. This shall take effect on August 1, 2017.
- 16 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.