

## **Resolution in Support of Immigrant Rights**

**Whereas**, Iraq Veterans Against the War is an organization that is comprised of veterans and members of the military who are struggling to support the rights of self-determination of Iraqis, Afghans, and our fellow brothers and sisters;

**Whereas**, the military has been actively recruiting within the borders of Mexico to further populate the rank and file of the military and support ongoing endless wars of aggression;

**Whereas**, these practices and the economic draft have resulted in a situation in which there are over 35,000 green card holding service members;

Whereas, these and other service members also have family members and loved ones who are undocumented and living within the borders of a country for which they are serving;

**Whereas**, the passage of laws, such as Arizona law SB 1070, and the militarization of the US-Mexico will result in racial profiling and the tearing apart of families at best, and has the potential to arm members of the military against their own family members;

**Whereas**, no member of the military should have to fear for the safety of their own family at the hands of the very government for which they are serving;

Whereas, no member of the military should be armed and sent to systematically oppress an entire people let alone their fellow kinsmen and women, whether those people are living in the borders of Iraq, Afghanistan, or even the United States;

Whereas, fundamentally no human being is illegal;

**Therefore**, let it be affirmed that Iraq Veterans Against the War supports the rights of all immigrants and calls for an end to inhumane and unconstitutional laws, practices, and policies that deny them equal rights and protections under the law and demands the demilitarization of and within our borders

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