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Ladies and Gentlemen,

This Agenda Item, A-32, listed as Social Services, lists the potential beneficiaries of a "Yes" vote on this proposition as "Immigrants". It is a request to enter into an MOU with the Sacramento County Department of Health Services, for the provision of the Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants.

The problem, as I see it, is that there is no provision for determining the legal status of said immigrants. It is widely understood that this Program will provide funds for any and all applicants for said funds, whether they are in California legally or illegally.

We have a very large population of illegal immigrants in this State, and it is assumed that the majority of them are from south of our border. However, that is an incorrect assumption. There are thousands of illegal Chinese, Thai, and other southern Asian immigrants as well, working in the nail, massage, and also agricultural field industries. I know, because my daughter-in-law is here illegally from Thailand.

Even if the State has made the decision to be a "Sanctuary State", and may have been providing benefits to illegal immigrants for years, if not decades, this Agenda Item should be denied by this Board of Supervisors. It doesn't even matter if the funds in question do not come out of this County's Budget, it is a terrible precedent to set.

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Please vote NO on this Agenda Item #32.

Sincerely,
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