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Public Comment

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Very well said.

On Mon, Jul 6, 2026 at 11:06 AM Andy Caldwell <andy@colabsbc.org> wrote:

Chair Nelson and Member of the Board,

In his 1946 essay *Politics and the English Language*, Orwell critiques the “ugly and inaccurate” state of contemporary English, linking it directly to political and social decay.

He contends that vague, pretentious, and euphemistic language is often used to obscure truth, justify morally questionable actions, and manipulate public perception.

Political language, according to Orwell, is designed to make lies sound truthful and violence respectable, using euphemisms and cloudy vagueness to conceal reality.

Goal of Item #8 on the BOS agenda:

Identify tools to prohibit or regulate immigration enforcement facilities and detention centers.

To do this, the board must find that these facilities pose an immediate threat to **public safety**, health, and welfare.

That means, the Sups are representing the lie that the authority of our federal government to enforce our laws is a threat to public safety!

George Orwell would have loved to use this illustration in his writings. That is because most of the people ICE are arresting are a threat to public safety, health, and welfare.

Andy Caldwell

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