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*****STATEMENT*****

**SAN FRANCISCO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION JOINS NATION AND
THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY IN GRIEVING THE VICTIMS OF THE
ORLANDO TERRORIST ATTACK & CONDEMNS EVENT AS AN
HEINOUS ACT OF HATRED**

(San Francisco, CA) The San Francisco Human Rights Commission (SFHRC) today released the following statement in the wake of the reported terrorist attack on an Orlando Florida LGBTQ nightclub that left at least 50 people dead and at least 53 others hospitalized in critical condition. President Obama and news outlets calling the attack "the worst mass shooting in U.S. history."

Susan B. Christian, Chair and Theresa Sparks, Executive Director of the San Francisco Human Rights Commission expressed the following " Speaking on behalf of the full Commission, we join with San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee, President Obama, the LGBTQ community and leadership and our global partners in shared grief for the heroic victims who paid the ultimate sacrifice with their lives in yet another senseless attack against all humanity.

Although infinitely heartbroken, the LGBTQ community will remain diligent, tenacious and resolute in the fight against all forms of persecution based on hatred and intolerance. The LGBTQ community will no doubt respond to this tragedy with great resilience and with a spirit of hope and compassion that transcends the evil working against this community.

We stand in solidarity with the victims, family, friends and love ones who have been impacted by this unspeakable and heinous act."

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