



LCHC Endorses a Boycott of Arizona Based Businesses and Tourist Industry

The LCHC staff recommendation is to target Arizona based businesses and the Arizona tourist industry which would include the cancellation of all conferences, conventions and major sporting events scheduled to be held in Arizona.

Factual Background:

On April 13, the Arizona legislature passed SB 1070, an immigration bill that, among other things, gives local law enforcement the authority to ask for proof of citizenship from anyone that they reasonably suspect of being in this country illegally. Governor Jan Brewer signed the bill into law on April 23 and a “clarifying” bill on April 26 with language stating that police could stop suspected illegal immigrants only while enforcing some other law or ordinance. In protest, Senate President Pro Tem Darrell Steinberg, the city of San Francisco, Los Angeles-based Spanish-language newspaper La Opinion and organizations such as LULAC have called for a boycott of Arizona. The list of targets include boycotts of Arizona-based companies which could include Avnet, PetSmart, US Airways and U-Haul; a boycott of the \$18.5 billion dollar tourist industry which includes a demand that planned major events, such as the Major League Baseball All-Star game be removed and held in a different state. There is precedence for this; In the 1990s, Arizona refused to recognize Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday as a holiday and the state reportedly lost 130 conventions plus a Super Bowl, costing it an estimated \$350 million.

Voice your opposition to this discriminatory law!

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Boycott Arizona Based Businesses and Tourist Industry!