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Statement from SF Pride Board of Directors on Resistance Contingent

After the 2016 presidential election, the Board dedicated their contingent in the parade to The Resistance, in solidarity with oppressed communities who are threatened by the rhetoric and policies of this corrupt administration. We believe messages of individuals and groups are made stronger in community. In this year's parade the Board would like to highlight Black Lives Matter, Brown Lives Matter, Ending Gun Violence, Trans Lives Matter, Immigration Rights and Women's Rights. Since 2017's parade, the Board has invited community groups to chant these priorities with us.

In a recent statement SF Pride expressed our appreciation of Google as a partner and ally to our organization and our community. And at the same time, when some Google employees felt their message was being stifled, we referred back to the spirit of our mission: to make space for unique voices who wish to advance the protections and rights of the LGBTQ community. Therefore, we've invited this group to march alongside our Resistance Contingent, now in its third year. We believe our liberation comes through visibility and inclusion.