

RESOLUTION NO. 26-

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
COMMERCE TO APPROVE AN APPROPRIATION OF \$25,000 FROM
THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT FUND**

WHEREAS, the City of Commerce recognizes that the recent federal immigration enforcement activities in Southern California have raised significant concern among residents, families, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Commerce is committed to ensuring that all residents, workers, and visitors can engage in City programming and services without fear; and

WHEREAS, the City Council acknowledges that immigration enforcement is the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal government, but affirms the City's role in protecting civil rights, maintaining community trust, and promoting the safety and well-being of all residents regardless of immigration status; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has approved the creation of the Support for Households in Immigration Emergencies and Legal Defense (SHIELD) program; and

WHEREAS, City Council has approved the budget appropriation to allocate \$25,000 from the Project Management Fund; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, AND DETERMINE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Commerce hereby finds and declares that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporates them herein as findings and as a substantive part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The City Council authorizes a one-time appropriation of \$25,000 from the City's Project Management Fund, an assigned fund balance designated for one-time expenditures, to support free legal aid consultations to the City of Commerce residents.

Section 3. The funds will support the legal services of an immigration law attorney with whom the City has an existing contract with to provide these services to Commerce residents.

Section 4. The Mayor is authorized to execute this Resolution for and on behalf of the City of Commerce.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take full force and effect immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of December 2026

Kevin Lainez
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk