Resolution to Oppose the Confirmation of Senator Jeff Sessions to the Position of Attorney General

WHEREAS Senator Jeff Sessions has been a leading opponent of comprehensive immigration reform, supports curbing legal immigration, opposes relief for undocumented immigrants, and is endorsed by and regularly consorts with anti-immigrant groups such as the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR) and Center for Immigration Studies (CIS) that many consider racist hate groups.

WHEREAS Senator Jeff Sessions has demonstrated hostility toward minority voting rights, including by prosecuting, as Alabama attorney general, voting rights activists for get out the vote efforts; regularly promoting and supporting restrictive voter ID laws; and praising the gutting of the Voting Rights Act in the case of *Shelby County v. Holder*.

WHEREAS Senator Jeff Sessions has opposed numerous NHLA civil rights priorities, including same-sex marriage, the Violence Against Women Act, civil rights consent decrees, and equitable school funding.

WHEREAS Senator Jeff Sessions was nominated to the position of Attorney General, to lead the Department of Justice, which is one of the most important federal agencies, including playing a leading role in critical issues: in immigration through the Office of Immigration Litigation and Executive Office for Immigration Review; in voting rights through the Civil Rights Division; and in civil rights and law enforcement through the Civil Rights Division, National Security Division, Bureau of Prisons, and the FBI.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the NHLA believes that Jeff Sessions, by reason of his long record of opposition to equity and civil rights, is unfit to serve as Attorney General of the United States;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NHLA opposes the confirmation of Senator Jeff Sessions to the position of Attorney General of the United States.