

DECLARATION OF SHERVIN BEYGI

1 Scientist for Boeing, creating cutting-edge aviation solutions that benefits our nation's
2 safety and economy. Prior to that, I worked for the Department of Veterans Affairs,
3 focusing on improving the system of care for our nation's veterans.
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5 6. My aging parents still live in Iran. They were both negatively impacted by Iran's
6 Islamic revolution in 1979, my father lost his job because he allegedly was not Islamic
7 enough, and my mother could not get promoted for about 15 years because she was a
8 woman. They struggled for years to make ends meet in order to raise me and my sister.
9 I was hoping I could finally bring my parents here to live with me after all they went
10 through. Now with the new travel ban, my hopes are fading. Neither they nor my sister
11 would ever be able to come visit me here, because they are considered a threat to our
12 national security. Such a painful irony. Even though I have worked hard, played by the
13 rules, used my advanced skills to serve this country and paid taxes, I do not get to enjoy
14 the same rights as other citizens.
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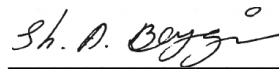
16 7. When the prior versions of the travel ban were blocked, it reinstated my confidence in
17 the American judicial system. This new version is inhumane, discriminatory, and
18 indefinite. It discriminates based on people's place of birth. I am deeply disappointed.
19 How can I call this country my home when my immediate family is banned from it
20 indefinitely while neither they nor I have done anything wrong?
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22 8. I am deeply disturbed by this new draconian travel ban. It impacts me, my work, and
23 my future plans to stay in the US, contribute and serve. I am worried that I will not be
24 able to take care of my parents if something happens to them. I am not sure if they can
25 stay in a safe and healthy environment back in Iran. For the past 12 years, I called the
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1 US home, and felt proud of it. I don't want to leave it. But once this new ban takes
2 effect, I will be left with no choice other than leaving. Even thinking about this breaks
3 my heart.
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5 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

6 Executed on this 6th day of October, 2017

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