The Honorable Josh Shapiro
Governor of Pennsylvania
225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Thursday, December 18th

Dear Governor Shapiro,

We write as constituents across the state to urge your immediate action on comprehensive immigrant rights policies which you have full executive power to move.

Pennsylvania's immigrant communities contribute $523 million in state taxes annually while facing daily crises. Their value extends far beyond economic metrics. The immigrant community is part of Pennsylvania's community; they are Pennsylvanian's, and you have stated you will fight for all Pennsylvania residents. Our community are caregivers who nurture Pennsylvania's children, elderly, and vulnerable; and essential workers who manage our food, health and education systems. They are neighbors who strengthen the fabric of our towns and cities, family members whose well-being affects entire households and extended networks.

Every day in Pennsylvania, families face impossible choices: the lack of needed policies harms our farms, healthcare facilities, small businesses, schools and families across the Commonwealth. Pennsylvania communities need your leadership now. Moral courage on behalf of Pennsylvania must take priority over national ambitions, which is why we ask you to take the following immediate administrative actions:

1. Direct Dialogue: Meet with immigrant rights organizations statewide
2. Political Leadership: Make driver's licenses for all a priority by allowing your departments to support HB 1518
3. Data Privacy Protection: Remove ICE access to state databases (JNET and CLEAN) without judicial warrants
4. End Prison-to-Deportation Pipeline: End data sharing, communication and collaboration between state prisons and probation and ICE
5. Never lease or sell a state facility for any immigration enforcement related purposes, including to the Department of Homeland Security or private prison companies that contract with ICE, CPB or DHS.
6. Law Enforcement Reform: Prohibit state police from contacting ICE and from providing assistance, including perimeter, traffic, or other kinds of support.
7. Prohibit Immigration enforcement arrests in state facilities without a judicial warrant or order
8. Benefit Program Privacy: Limit information collection, challenge federal overreach in benefit programs, and join federal lawsuits challenging this overreach.
9. Public messaging: Develop webpages, and other forms of communication to inform immigrant communities about the current policies on immigrant access to health care and other public programs. Issue statements and publicly welcome refugees and asylum seekers to Pennsylvania

Our communities are watching, organizing, and will not be silent. It is time for you to demonstrate the political courage Pennsylvania families deserve by taking the administrative actions that are in your power as the state executive for comprehensive immigrant rights.

Respectfully,

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Estimado Gobernador Shapiro

Le escribimos como constituyentes del estado para pedir su acción inmediata en realizar políticas comprehensivas para proteger los derechos de los inmigrantes. Usted tiene todo el poder ejecutivo para hacerlo.

La comunidad inmigrante de Pennsylvania contribuye $523 millones en impuestos anualmente, aún mientras enfrenta crisis diariamente. Su valor va más allá de métricos económicos. La comunidad inmigrante es parte de la comunidad de Pennsylvania. Son residentes de nuestro estado y usted ha dicho que luchará por todos los residentes de Pennsylvania. Miembros de nuestra comunidad son proveedores de cuidados para los niños, ancianos y la población vulnerable en Pennsylvania. Son trabajadores esenciales que gestionan nuestra comida, centros sanitarios y de educación. Son nuestros vecinos quienes fortalecen nuestros pueblos y ciudades. Son miembros de familias cuyos bienestar afecta hogares y comunidades enteras.

Todos los días en Pennsylvania, familias enfrentan decisiones imposibles: la falta de políticas necesarias perjudica nuestras fincas, centros sanitarios, escuelas, pequeñas empresas, y familias por todo el Commonwealth.

Las comunidades de Pennsylvania necesitan su liderazgo ahora. El valor moral por cuenta de las comunidades en Pennsylvania debe primar sobre las ambiciones nacionales. Por eso le pedimos que tome las siguientes acciones administrativas:

1. **Diálogo Directo**: Reunirse con organizaciones de los derechos de inmigrantes por todo el estado.
2. **Liderazgo Político**: Dejar que sus departamentos apoyen HB 1518 para priorizar licencias de manejar para todos.
3. **Protección de Privacidad de Información**: Quitarle a ICE el acceso a bases de datos estatales sin una orden judicial.
4. **Terminar el Flujo de Cárcel a Deportación**: Terminar el intercambio de información, comunicación y colaboración entre cárceles estatales, probación e ICE.
5. **Nunca alquilar una dependencia estatal a ICE**
6. **Reforma de los Agentes del Orden**: prohibir que la policía estatal contacte o provea ayuda o apoyo a ICE

7. **Prohibir detenciones por normas de inmigración en dependencias estatales** sin una orden judicial.
8. **Privacidad de información sobre programas beneficios**: Limitar la colección de información, desafía extralimitaciones federales en programas de beneficios y apoya demandas federales que desafían estas extralimitaciones.
9. **Información pública**: desarrollar páginas web y otras formas de comunicación para informar a las comunidades inmigrantes sobre las políticas actuales sobre el acceso a atención médica y otros servicios públicos. Emitir declaraciones públicas y dar la bienvenida a refugiados y solicitantes de asilo a Pennsylvania

Nuestras comunidades estamos prestando atención, organizándonos y no nos callaremos. **Es tiempo de que usted demuestre el valor político que merecen las familias de Pennsylvania y tome las acciones administrativas que están en su poder como el ejecutivo del estado por los derechos comprehensivos de inmigrantes.**

Respetuosamente,

18 Million Rising
1Hood Media
Abolitionist Law Center
ACANA
ACLU of Pennsylvania
Action Together NEPA
Alianzas de Phoenixville
All Voting Is Local Action - Organization
Alliance for Refugee Youth Support and Education
Asian Americans United
Asian Pacific Islander Political Alliance (API PA)
Association of Mexican Business Owners
ASX Consulting
Bhutanese Community Association of Pittsburgh
CAIR-Philadelphia
Caribbean Community in Philadelphia
CASA
Casa de la Cultura
Casa Freehold
Center for Integration and Migrant Support
Centre County Rapid Response
Centro de Apoyo Comunitario
Cheltenham Immigration Response
Church World Service Lancaster
Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights
Community for Change Montgomery County
Concilio de Organizaciones Hispanas (El Concilio)
Congregation Council of Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church of Eastmont
Congreso de Latinos Unidos
Detention Watch Network (DWN)
EMCC

Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul
Every Mother is a Working Mother Network
Families for Ceasefire Philly
Fishtown Pickle Project
Founder of Inspirando Latinos, Inc.
Free Migration Project
Fun with Financials LLC
Give Us Back Our Children/Philadelphia
Global Women's Strike
Haitian-American United for Change
HIAS Pennsylvania
Indivisible Greater Jenkintown
Indivisible MontCo PA & Friends
Jbop
Kate's Casa
Keystone Indivisible
Kirkridge Retreat & Study Center
Koreans4Decolonization Philadelphia
La Puerta Abierta
Law Office of Karenina Wolff
LULAC Greater Philadelphia Council 20010
LULAC Pennsylvania
Make the Road Pennsylvania
MILPA
MIRA Resources
Nation of Islam Mosque No.12
National Korean American Service & Education Consortium (NAKASEC)
National Partnership for New Americans
Nationalities Service Center
Never Again Action
New Sanctuary Movement of Philadelphia
Norristown Area School District
Northwest Regional Refugee and Immigrant Network (NWRRIN)-Association
Ohev Shalom Synagogue
PA Chapter of the National Domestic Workers Alliance
PA Stands Up
Payday Men's Network
Pennsylvania Policy Center
Philly Muslim Freedom Fund
Philly Thrive
Pittsburgh LCLAA
Project Libertad
Restaurant Worker Committee
Rural Organizing
Sanctuary of Peace
Sarin Gal
SEAMAAC, Inc.

SEIU
Sisters of Saint Joseph of Philadelphia
Social Justice Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie
State College Friends Meeting
The Global Switchboard
The Neighbors Trust
The Script Project
The Welcome Project PA
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie
University Mennonite Church, State College PA
UUJusticePA
Victim/Witness Services of South Philadelphia
VietLead
Women Of Color/ Global Women's Strike
Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), Greater Philadelphia Branch
Woori Center
YWCA Lancaster