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President Donald Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

I write to request that you cancel the announced Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") raids against immigrant families.

These raids serve no purpose other than to cause fear and confusion among immigrant communities across the country. Instead of prioritizing enforcement against individuals who have committed violent crimes, your administration has decided to use scarce resources to penalize families and individuals who are contributing to their communities in my home state of Colorado and across the nation.

Immigrant communities deserve our support and understanding rather than hatred and division. These raids will only exacerbate the already overcrowded and inhumane conditions at detention facilities across the country. They will also continue to stoke fear and anxiety in some of our most vulnerable communities.

Our nation has a rich history of offering immigrants and refugees the opportunity to build a better life for themselves and future generations. Our time and attention should be focused on rectifying the humanitarian crisis on the border and finding a comprehensive solution to our broken immigration system. These raids take us in the opposite direction.

I urge you to cancel them immediately.

Sincerely,



Michael F. Bennet
United States Senator