January 15th, 2025

Fresno City Council

2600 Fresno Street #3620

Fresno, CA 93721

**RE: The Incoming Administration's Policy of Mass Deportation**

Dear Fresno City Council Members:

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Thank you for your attention to this critical matter. We are hopeful that you will make the right decision,

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San Joaquin Valley Democratic Club Board and Membership

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Fresno County Board of Supervisors

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