

Communication from Public

Name: Milena Jankovic

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 09:02 PM

Council File No: 23-0243

Comments for Public Posting: How embarrassing to have worn the designation "The City of Sanctuary" for so many years. Spaghetti Garcetti and One Bill Gil have left their mark in the worst and most typical way. It's time for Los Angeles to actually become a Sanctuary City and put in place meaningful, measurable and enforceable protection for all our immigrants neighbors. City resources, property and personnel should NOT be used for immigration enforcement of any kind, not now and not ever again. I strongly support the Sanctuary motion. Thank you, Milena Jankovic

Communication from Public

Name: Isabella

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 08:59 AM

Council File No: 23-0243

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Isabella, a local Angeleno, and I am writing on behalf of my community to urge the City of Los Angeles to adopt the L.A. Sanctuary Motion. Los Angeles is one of the most diverse cities in California, with 4.4 million immigrants residing in the Los Angeles metro area, totaling 33 percent of the population. Of those 4.4 million, 2.2 million are potentially at risk of deportation. On behalf of this population, it is time for the City of Los Angeles to lead on progressive immigrant rights policies and to reject the anti-immigrant sentiment that has dominated national immigration policies. LA should be a city where people can feel safe from immigration enforcement- all Angelenos should feel safe when applying for government assistance, seeking medical assistance, housing, employment, etc. And not worry that personal information can be gathered and shared with immigration authorities. Coming from a mixed-status household, I know firsthand that the importance of having safe spaces and living life without fear of deportation is crucial to one's health- emotional and mental- and one's ability to thrive. A sanctuary motion will protect our immigrant community members from harmful entanglement with ICE and help create a more inclusive, equitable, multi-racial, and multicultural Los Angeles. LA must no longer contribute to or enable the deportation pipeline and separation of families- ensuring that its resources, property, and personnel are not utilized for federal immigration enforcement. I call on you to vote AYE on the Sanctuary Motion, Council File #23-0243. By doing so, you will affirm the City's commitment to racial justice and to protecting and defending immigrants. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Democratic Socialists of America - Los Angeles Chapter

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 10:21 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: To the Los Angeles City Council, We are the Democratic Socialists of America-Los Angeles Chapter, with nearly 3,500 members, and we support the upcoming Sanctuary Motion (Council File #23-0243) as a necessary step to creating a more inclusive, multi-racial and multicultural Los Angeles for immigrant workers. 4.4 million immigrants reside in the Los Angeles metro area totaling 33 percent of the population. Of those 4.4 million, 2.2 million are potentially at risk of deportation if there are no sanctuary policies in place as a safety net. Since 2016, DSA-LA has advocated through direct actions, educational events, and legislative visits the positive impact that sanctuary policy can have for Angelenos. On behalf of this population, it is time for the City of Los Angeles to reassert its leadership on immigrant rights, and to defy the anti-immigrant bigotry that has defined national immigration policies. Immigrant Angelenos continue to face attacks from the federal immigration system. The City can ensure that its resources, property and personnel are not being utilized for any federal immigration enforcement. LA must no longer contribute to or enable the deportation pipeline and separation of families. In Solidarity, Democratic Socialists of America-Los Angeles Chapter

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In Solidarity,
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Name: Dr. Mha Atma S Khalsa

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 01:05 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a lifetime Los Angeles, resident, voter, taxpayer and homeowner and business owner, I very strongly support the motion to make Los Angeles a sanctuary city.

Communication from Public

Name: Wendy Miranda
Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 01:58 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Wendy Miranda and I am with Esperanza Community Housing. Immigrants are an integral part of our communities and an essential part of the rich cultural tapestry of Los Angeles. A robust sanctuary policy is a necessary step to creating a more inclusive, multi-racial and multicultural Los Angeles. 4.4 million immigrants reside in the Los Angeles metro area totaling 33 percent of the population. Of those 4.4 million, 2.2 million are potentially at risk of deportation. On behalf of this population, it is time for the City of Los Angeles to reassert its leadership on immigrant rights, and to defy the anti-immigrant bigotry that has defined national immigration policies. Immigrant Angelenos continue to face attacks from the federal immigration system. The City can ensure that its resources, property and personnel are not being utilized for any federal immigration enforcement. LA must no longer contribute to or enable the deportation pipeline and separation of families. I call on you to vote AYE on the Sanctuary Motion, Council File #23-0243. By doing so you will affirm the City's commitment to racial justice and to protecting and defending immigrants. Thank you. Wendy Miranda

Communication from Public

Name: Amelia Gray

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 02:10 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Amelia Gray and I am a member of ICE Out of LA and the WGA West. As we move into the sixth week of the WGA strike, I've had plenty of time to reflect on the security and safety I feel in my union, even during difficult times. It makes me think of the lack of security felt by an even larger group in Los Angeles -- that of immigrants in Los Angeles. A third of the population of our city are immigrants. They make this city the inclusive, multi-racial, and multicultural center, the backbone of the system. And yet 2.2 million of them are potentially at risk of deportation. On behalf of this population, it is time for the City of Los Angeles to reassert its leadership on immigrant rights, and to defy the anti-immigrant bigotry that has defined national immigration policies. We have the power to help ensure that LA resources, property and personnel are not being utilized for any federal immigration enforcement. I call on you to vote AYE on the Sanctuary Motion, Council File #23-0243. By doing so you will affirm the City's commitment to racial justice and to protecting and defending immigrants. We need to show immigrants that make up this city's backbone that we have their backs, too. Thank you. Amelia Gray

Communication from Public

Name: Julie DiazMartinez

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 03:02 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Julie DiazMartinez and I am stating that our Immigrant community are an integral part of our city and an essential part of the rich cultural tapestry of Los Angeles. A robust sanctuary policy is a necessary step to creating a more inclusive, multi-racial and multicultural Los Angeles. 4.4 million immigrants reside in the Los Angeles metro area totaling 33 percent of the population. Of those 4.4 million, 2.2 million are potentially at risk of deportation. On behalf of this population, it is time for the City of Los Angeles to reassert its leadership on immigrant rights, and to defy the anti-immigrant bigotry that has defined national immigration policies. Immigrant Angelenos continue to face attacks from the federal immigration system. The City can ensure that its resources, property and personnel are not being utilized for any federal immigration enforcement. LA must no longer contribute to or enable the deportation pipeline and separation of families. I call on you to vote AYE on the Sanctuary Motion, Council File #23-0243. By doing so you will affirm the City's commitment to racial justice and to protecting and defending immigrants. Thank you. Julie DiazMartinez

Communication from Public

Name: Margaret Cargioli

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 03:54 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Margaret Cargioli, and I am Directing Attorney of Policy and Advocacy at Immigrant Defenders Law Center. Immigrant Defenders Law Center is a social justice law firm that defends immigrant communities against an unjust immigration system. We are southern California's largest removal defense legal services organization, with our largest office and headquarters located in Los Angeles. 4.4 million immigrants reside in the Los Angeles metro area. Of those 4.4 million, 2.2 million are potentially at risk of deportation. Those numbers reflect real Angelenos for whom L.A. is their beloved home. Immigrants are our neighbors, our teachers, our health care workers, and our family members. Immigrants are an essential part of Los Angeles. A sanctuary policy is one more step toward ensuring that L.A. rejects entanglement with the racist federal immigration regime. The City of Los Angeles must defy the anti-immigrant hatred that has defined national immigration policies for far too long. L.A. must reject the deportation pipeline that tears communities and families apart. Immigrant Defenders Law Centers calls on you to vote AYE on the Sanctuary Motion, Council File #23-0243, to affirm the City's commitment to racial justice and to keep immigrant families and communities together and at home in Los Angeles.

Communication from Public

Name: SHAKEEL SYED

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 05:10 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Shakeel Syed and I am with South Asian Network, a thirty years old organizing serving South Asian immigrant community in Los Angeles. Immigrants are an integral part of our communities and an essential part of the rich cultural tapestry of Los Angeles. A robust sanctuary policy is a necessary step to creating a more inclusive, multi-racial and multicultural Los Angeles. 4.4 million immigrants reside in the Los Angeles metro area totaling 33 percent of the population. Of those 4.4 million, 2.2 million are potentially at risk of deportation. On behalf of this population, it is time for the City of Los Angeles to reassert its leadership on immigrant rights, and to defy the anti-immigrant bigotry that has defined national immigration policies. Immigrant Angelenos continue to face attacks from the federal immigration system. The City can ensure that its resources, property and personnel are not being utilized for any federal immigration enforcement. LA must no longer contribute to or enable the deportation pipeline and separation of families. I call on you to vote AYE on the Sanctuary Motion, Council File #23-0243. By doing so you will affirm the City's commitment to racial justice and to protecting and defending immigrants. Thank you. Shakeel Syed Executive Director

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Communication from Public

Name: Emma schuler

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 05:37 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Emma schuler and I work in the rich Los Angeles hospitality industry. Immigrants are a crucial part of Los Angeles cultural, especially in my industry. A robust sanctuary policy is absolutely vital to myself, my peers, and the many businesses that rely on their labor. Immigrant Angelenos continue to face attacks from the federal immigration system. The City can ensure that its resources, property and personnel are not being utilized for any federal immigration enforcement. LA must no longer contribute to or enable the deportation pipeline and separation of families. I call on you to vote AYE on the Sanctuary Motion, Council File #23-0243. By doing so you will affirm the City's commitment to racial justice and to protecting and defending immigrants. Thank you for making a decision that will benefit all Angelenos.

Communication from Public

Name: Russell

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 05:44 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Russell and I am a concerned California citizen. Immigrants are an integral part of our communities and an essential part of the rich cultural tapestry of Los Angeles. A robust sanctuary policy is a necessary step to creating a more inclusive, multi-racial and multicultural Los Angeles. 4.4 million immigrants reside in the Los Angeles metro area totaling 33 percent of the population. Of those 4.4 million, 2.2 million are potentially at risk of deportation. On behalf of this population, it is time for the City of Los Angeles to reassert its leadership on immigrant rights, and to defy the anti-immigrant bigotry that has defined national immigration policies. Immigrant Angelenos continue to face attacks from the federal immigration system. The City can ensure that its resources, property and personnel are not being utilized for any federal immigration enforcement. LA must no longer contribute to or enable the deportation pipeline and separation of families. I call on you to vote AYE on the Sanctuary Motion, Council File #23-0243. By doing so you will affirm the City's commitment to racial justice and to protecting and defending immigrants. Thank you. Russell Torres

Communication from Public

Name: Chelsea

Date Submitted: 06/08/2023 11:30 PM

Council File No: 23-0243

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Chelsea Bell and I would like to provide general public comment on Council File #23-0243, the Sanctuary Motion. I am a removal defense attorney here in Los Angeles and urge you to vote yes on the Motion to make Los Angeles a true Sanctuary City. Immigrants make LA one of the most beautiful and vibrant cities in the world. This Motion is an opportunity for City officials, like yourselves, to stand by immigrant Angelenos, so that they can live, work and be safe in the City they call home. It is time for this City Council to ensure that Los Angeles no longer contributes to or enables the deportation pipeline and separation of families. Local resources are intended to improve the quality of life of our communities, not to enable federal immigration authorities to target immigrants. While immigration policy exists at a federal level, immigration enforcement exists at a local level - meaning immigrant Angeleno families are bearing the brunt of racist immigration enforcement policies. As a removal defense attorney, I have worked with countless people who have been targeted by ICE and have heard horror story after horror story of ICE agents doing whatever they want with no accountability in the process because the system is so broken – and there is no end in sight. Los Angeles city should never support ICE's abhorrent practices, let alone fund them. One of the most meaningful ways for Los Angeles to take a stance in support of its immigrant residents, is to create local policies, like the Sanctuary Motion, that prevent city resources from being used by federal immigration officials. Passing this motion has broad support, evidenced in the letter that we circulated to council members which was signed by over one hundred organizations, from community health organizations to legal aid foundations to labor unions. No one in Los Angeles should be forced to endure the inhumane conditions of immigration enforcement. No one in Los Angeles should be afraid of accessing critical social services because they don't want their information to reach ICE. This Motion starts the process for Los Angeles to know more about its entanglement with federal immigration enforcement and then to develop an ordinance that formally disentangles it from such a racist system. Please vote yes on Council File #23-0243. Thank you, Chelsea Bell Sanctuary Motion coalition member