Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

June 22, 2018

Mr. Tom Decker, Director New York Field Office Immigration and Customs Enforcement 26 Federal Plaza New York, NY 10278

RE:

VILLAVICENCIO, Pablo

Dear Director Decker:

As Members of Congress, we write to express our support for Mr. Pablo Villavicencio's petition and request to exhaust all legal options. Mr. Villavicencio is currently pending removal through Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

As previously noted by other Members of Congress on June 22nd, 2018, Mr. Villavicencio's arrest and detention raise significant concerns. Despite having a petition pending with United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), he was immediately detained and processed for removal from the United States. Living in the United States, he has dedicated his life to his family—his daughters and wife—whom are all U.S. citizens. A further review indicates that he has no criminal record.

Mr. Villavicencio's friends, family and the greater community at large request that he be granted release from custody as he exercises the right to exhaust all his legal options before being removed from the United States. We would appreciate your review of this request, and to exercise full and fair consideration of this request, consistent with applicable law, rules and regulations.

Sincerely,

Nydia M. Velázquez Member of Congress

Charles E. Schumer United States Senator

Jerrold Nadler

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