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Hello, my name is LaLa, I am a resident from Santa Ana & I'm writing today because of the TRUTH Act and the need for transparency between local law and immigration enforcement here in Orange County.

In just last year, the OC's Sheriff department has transferred 239 people to ICE, more than any other counties in California, with the number increasing. That is 239 people too many that have been stripped away from their families, communities & livelihoods. It is imperative to remember that this dehumanization is not isolated or solely confined to *one* agency, rather it is an extension of all policing—ICE, OCSD, SAPD and more—that is inherently racist and violent everywhere and has been since its inception in the 1700s as “Slave Patrols.” Black communities are disproportionately overpoliced and attacked, and these patterns continue in immigration enforcement, with Black migrants making up 6% of those imprisoned but almost 30% of firsthand accounts of abuse. The racial disparities can also be seen in the targeting of OC's immigrant communities, community members from El Salvador, Romania, Vietnam, Guatemala, Mexico, and Colombia - many of them working hard to sustain their families. These are our community members, they are loved ones, they are friends who laugh joyously and every person that has been transferred, every person in those detention centers are in immediate danger. Those abducted and trapped in ICE detention centers are continuously facing human rights violations, with reports of agents sexually assaulting detainees and medical neglect leading to murder. Since the beginning of the year, 13 people have been killed at ICE detention centers, most recently father & 41 year old Mohommad Nazeer Paktyawal and son & 19-year old Royer Perez Jimenez.

Every life is a universe, every life is sacred and everyone is worth deserving of living a dignified life. No one deserves to experience this wretched treatment. Although ICE is a federal agency, you have the power here locally & you must act now to end ICE transfers in OC to end this branch of the barbarity enacted in our community.

We also implore you to think about the OC community needs, especially through actively protecting the residents in Coach Royal Mobile Home Park in Santa Ana. Residents are being harassed and threatened by ICE presence, it is completely unacceptable. OC, do your part in protecting your community and end ICE transfers in OC now!!