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Todd M. Lyons
Acting Director
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
500 12th St. SW
Washington, D.C. 20536

Dear Acting Director Lyons:

Last Thursday, January 29, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents detained Mr. Jose Flores, a resident of Pennsylvania's 17th Congressional District, outside his home in Oakmont, Pennsylvania. According to local reporting¹, Mr. Flores has no criminal record and has a valid five-year work authorization document with a valid REAL ID and Social Security number. Mr. Flores and his family are awaiting an affirmative asylum determination.

I have questions about this specific arrest and ICE activities in and around Oakmont, PA last month. I request responses to the following questions by February 9th, 2026:

1. How many people were detained in and around Oakmont, PA in January 2026?
2. On what basis were they detained?
 - a. On what basis was Mr. Flores detained? Was he detained pursuant to a warrant?
3. Was this action targeted at specific people for enforcement?
 - a. If so, what underlying offenses, conduct, or other criteria made someone a target for enforcement. Provide this information for each targeted person.
4. Were any non-targeted people also detained?
5. Have removal proceedings been initiated for any people detained?
6. What other law enforcement agencies or departments were involved in this activity?
7. What is the status of those who were detained?

It took you nearly 6 months to respond to my previous letter, dated August 5, 2025. I expect more prompt communication in response to my Congressional inquiries.

Very respectfully,

Chris Deluzio
Member of Congress

¹ Daugherty, Haley. 2026. "ICE Operation in Oakmont Leads to Local Father's Arrest." TribLIVE.com. January 30, 2026. <https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/ice-operation-in-oakmont-leads-to-local-fathers-arrest/>.