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From (Name and Address):

Date:

Dear

As a Unitarian Universalist, I am deeply concerned about the ongoing mistreatment of immigrants in America by the federal government. I feel a moral commitment to recognizing the worth and dignity of every person, whether or not they possess proper immigration documents. Families remain in detention facilities for the sole reason of crossing the southern border illegally; these detentions continue despite rulings by a federal judge that the Administration’s detention procedures are a violation of basic rights and of a twenty year old settlement agreement.

In addition, two federal courts have enjoined the Obama Administration from implementing the Deferred Action for Parents of Arrivals, a program that would have given relief from deportation to millions of qualified but undocumented immigrants; one result of this court injunction seems to be resumption by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) of deportations of non-felonious immigrants.

I ask you to please take immediate action to help alleviate this ongoing immigration crisis in America.

* First, **urge Jeh Johnson, Secretary of** **DHS,** to comply with the rulings of Judge Dolly Gee in recent family detention cases and second, release all children in immigration detention and their parent(s) as soon as possible.
* Secondly, **demand** that DHS abide by the President’s statements that deportation priority should be for those undocumented immigrants who present a danger to their communities as evidenced by convictions for felonies.

Thank you for your attention to these human rights matters.

Sincerely,