

Dear Honorable Representatives,

I am writing to ask that you support HB 7039 to ensure that some of our rights are respected. Immigrants' rights as humans are being ignored. This is the most progressive country in the world yet the government chooses to persecute and prosecute the very same people that are helping this nation progress. We are a group of hard workers who just want to continue working just as hard to feed our families. Most of us came to the USA with the notion that we and our families would have a better life, ~~and so far~~ but once we get here we get mixed feelings about it. We find jobs and are able to feed our families, but also encounter a lot of discrimination and unfair treatment only because we don't possess a permit that allows us to be called Residents.

I have been here in the USA for a very long time and this is <sup>only</sup> ~~my and my family's~~ home. We contribute to the progress of USA and behave even better than legal residents because we're afraid of incarceration and subsequently, deportation.

Please, find it in your heart to support us. We trust that you will vote to fix the TRUST Act.

Thank you,

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