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Statement on Milwaukee Resident's Deportation Order

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – Today, Representative Priscilla A. Prado accompanied Milwaukee resident Yessenia Ruano to her mandated ICE check-in early this morning. With an escalation in displacement efforts, Ruano received a deportation order while waiting for her T visa be approved. A teacher's aide and mother of twin U.S. citizen daughters, Yessenia Ruano has been living in Wisconsin for almost 15 years. Representative Prado released the following statement:

“I am very happy that I was able to accompany Ms. Ruano and her twin daughters today at her appointment with Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The turnout of people who supported Yessenia was remarkable and goes to show how much our community cares about one another.

“We are so grateful that ICE was able to work with Yessenia and her attorneys to extend her stay so that her T visa process can continue. We want to extend thanks to the Milwaukee Field Office for their collaboration in Yessenia's case.

“Thank you to Common Council President Jose Perez and Alderperson JoCasta Zamarripa for their presence today, as well as Christine Neumann-Ortiz and the whole of Voces de la Frontera for their continued support and diligence in helping Ms. Ruano and her family.

“Our community's strength is abundant. Their support means everything to me and those facing challenges like Yessenia. I am so proud of this community, and I remain committed to supporting and protecting Milwaukee's immigrants and their families.”

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