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Dear Business Owner:

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On Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, Voces de la Frontera is holding a statewide "Day without Latinxs, Immigrants, and Refugees" to demand Governor Walker fire Sheriff Clarke for his efforts to turn his sheriffs into Immigration agents (287g) and for his abuse of power and negligence, shackling women while giving birth and the causing 4 deaths at the jail. We will also urge Governor Walker to block anti-immigrant state legislation that would make local law enforcement act like Immigration agents (AB 190, the "anti-sanctuary bill") and return driver's licenses to immigrants.

Last year, we defeated the same anti-immigrant state legislation through a Day without Latinxs and Immigrants. We are confident that we will demonstrate this same power on May 1<sup>st</sup> and achieve this same victory. On February 13<sup>th</sup> of this year, we showed this same power against 287g and Trump's attacks, and we inspired a nationwide grassroots movement that now is leading up to the May 1<sup>st</sup> National Day Without Immigrants protest and general strike supported by many diverse organizations.

A key part of our success has been the support of small businesses and farms in Wisconsin. We will hold a statewide march on Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, leaving at 12pm from 1027 S. 5th St. in Milwaukee. At that time the Pilgrimage for Justice will join us after marching from Madison demanding Walker fire Clarke, and together we will march to the County Courthouse at 901 N. 9<sup>th</sup> St. For this event to be successful, we ask your support in the following ways:

- In support of our community, we ask that you close your business on May 1<sup>st</sup> to show the importance of immigrants' economic contributions. All businesses that close will be recognized publicly and we will urge the public to do business there.**
- Please join us and give your employees permission to march with their families in Milwaukee from 12pm to 3pm on May 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- Please call Governor Scott Walker at 608-266-1212 and ask him to fire Clarke, block the anti-immigrant bill AB 190, and support returning driver's licenses to immigrants.
- Please give a tax-deductible donation to offset the expenses of the event, which include permits, commercials, transportation from other cities, printing, and other costs.
- If your business has television or radio commercials, please donate your commercials for the May 1<sup>st</sup> march.
- Place a poster for the march in your business and distribute flyers to customers, friends, and family.

**May 1<sup>st</sup> Logistics:**

- 12pm – March leaves from 1027 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street in Milwaukee.**
- 1:30pm – Rally at the Milwaukee County Courthouse.**
- 3pm – Rally ends.**

Please feel free to contact me at 414-736-2835 or via email at christine@vdlf.org regarding your contribution. A profound *gracias* for your interest and participation!

Sincerely,

Christine Neumann-Ortiz, Executive Director Voces de la Frontera