

President Biden,

We write to you as immigrants, people of color and allies to unequivocally condemn the dangerous anti-immigrant rhetoric you used in your State of the Union address. We demand a swift and clear apology.

Many of our communities and organizations have worked tirelessly alongside you from your first day in office when you promised permanent protections for immigrants. However, we have watched in disappointment as you have failed to deliver on your promises and most recently taken a hard right turn on immigration policy. This position has given room to more anti-immigrant policies pushed by far-right Republicans in states such as Texas, Arizona, Georgia, Kansas, Missouri, Idaho, Florida and Oklahoma. The stakes are life and death— we know white supremacist rhetoric and ideologies incite fatal violence in our communities, just as they already have in places like Charleston, Buffalo, El Paso and Atlanta.

President Biden, as MAGA politicians try to knock down the pillars of our democracy towards fascism, you have a critical choice to make: be a real leader in this pivotal moment and create a country that embraces immigrants with humanity and care, or continue letting the far right breed regressive hate and division.

We demand a swift and clear apology to our communities. Your administration must emphatically declare that racism and xenophobia have no place in this country. It's time to lead.

Sincerely,

Adelante Student Voices

American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC)

Arab American Association of New York

Battle Born Progress

Center for Law and Social Policy

Center for Popular Democracy

Central American Resource Center (CRECEN)

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA)

College Access for Non-Citizens

Communities United for Status & Protection (CUSP)

Connecticut Students for a Dream

Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) San Francisco Bay Area

Detention Watch Network

Faith for Black Lives

Gen-Z for Change

Green New Deal Network

Haitian Bridge Alliance

IfNotNow Movement

Immigrant Defenders Law Center

Immigrant Defense Project

Immigrant Legal Resource Center
Inter-Faith Committee on Latin America (IFCLA)
Jews For Racial & Economic Justice (JFREJ)
Justice Action Center
La Unión del Pueblo Entero (LUPE)
Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center
Living United for Change in Arizona (LUCHA)
Make the Road Nevada
MomsRising / MamásConPoder
Movement for Black Lives
MPower Change Action Fund
Muslim Advocates
Muslim American Society
NAKASEC
National Immigrant Justice Center
National Immigration Law Center (NILC)
National Organization for Women - Nevada Chapter
National Partnership for New Americans (NPNA)
Never Again Action DC
New American Leaders
New Jersey Alliance for Immigrant Justice
New Mexico Dream Team
New York Immigration Coalition
No Separate Justice
One Fair Wage
Presente.org
Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada
Rising Majority
Silver State Equality
Sull and Associates, PLLC
Sunrise Movement
The Gathering for Justice
Tsuru for Solidarity
Undocumented Student-Led Network
United We Dream
Until Freedom
We Are All America (WAAA)
Woori Juntos
Working Families Party