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The Honorable John A. Olszewski, Jr.
County Executive, Baltimore County
400 Washington Ave.
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Dear County Executive Olszewski,

As you are likely aware, there has been considerable discussion in the news about Baltimore County's policy of not fully adhering to US Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainers for violent offenders, rapists, and child sex offenders. In fact, a recent news report indicated that around 70% of violent noncitizen offenders were released despite an ICE detainer on them. Could you please provide us information on Baltimore County's policies with respect to cooperating with ICE further, could you please provide us information on how Baltimore County handles detainers for individuals that have been convicted or are accused of committing a violent crime, rape, and child sex offense?

We are also shocked to learn just today that a convicted child sex offender was released from Baltimore County while ICE has a detainer issued for him. The story is about 25-year-old Raul Calderon-Interiano who was released from the Baltimore County Detention Center recently. We hope you can provide us with details on this case, including the alleged suspension of all jail time by a Baltimore County judge.

We firmly believe that public safety is not something that should be subject to any potential political maneuvering. When a violent offender or sex offender is released after being detained without cooperating with ICE, there is the potential to not only endanger the public but also create violent interactions with law enforcement that will be forced to find these individuals in potentially more violent situations.

Given that these detainers are only for 48 hours, we believe Baltimore County should be more than capable of holding an individual who poses a threat to the public for this short amount of time. We do not want a Laken Riley situation to occur in Baltimore County.

We would encourage you to take an approach like Montgomery County's, which is cooperating with ICE detainers for violent and dangerous individuals. This approach is the right one in Montgomery County and should be for Baltimore County too.

We look forward to your response on this important public safety issue.

Sincerely,

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Delegate Kathy Szeliga

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Delegate Ryan Nawrocki