

**MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC TESTIMONY SIGN-UP**

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MEETING DATE: 4-4-13

AGENDA ITEM: R1

FOR: X AGAINST: _____

NAME: Caroline van der Harten, ^{Ecumenical Ministries of} OREGON

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: Pa.

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, OR.

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

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FOR: _____ AGAINST: _____

NAME: Kayse Jang, Exec. Dir. - Center for Inter Cultural Organizing

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, OR.

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

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AGENDA ITEM: Proposed detainer policy

FOR: AGAINST:

NAME: Nicole Brown

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: nicole@interculturalorganizing.org

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MEETING DATE: 04/04/2033

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution in support MCSO/detainer policy

FOR: AGAINST:

NAME: RICARDO VARELA

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: 5642 SE BOISE ST

CITY/STATE/ZIP: PORTLAND, OR 97206

PHONE: 503-724-9339 EMAIL: ricardo@ordreamactivist.org

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AGENDA ITEM: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT MCSO / DETAINER POLICY

FOR: X AGAINST: _____

NAME: MARCO MEJIA

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: mejiaorp@yahoo.com

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AGENDA ITEM: Resolution in support of Multnomah County sheriff's office
Immigration Detainers.

FOR: AGAINST:

NAME: Romeo Sosu

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: 503-233-6787 EMAIL: romeo@portlandwz.org

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AGENDA ITEM: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT MCSO/RETAINER POLICY

FOR: AGAINST:

NAME: REV. LYNN SMOUS-LOPEZ

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: _____

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FOR: _____ AGAINST: _____

NAME: Pedro Sosa

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: 2249 E Burnside St.

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland

PHONE: 503-230-9427

EMAIL: psosa@afsc.org

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**Testimony in Support of the Multnomah County, Oregon Resolution in Support of
Multnomah County Sheriff's Revised Plan for I-247 Immigration Detainers**

Herman M. Frankel, M.D.*

[Recovering from surgery and unable to testify in person, I'm grateful for the opportunity to provide my written testimony in support of this resolution.]

Chair Cogen, Commissioner Kafoury, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Shiprack,
and Commissioner McKeel:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of your efforts to protect members of our community from improper, inappropriate, and unlawful detention and deportation.

Thank you for reminding us that enforcement of federal civil immigration law is the responsibility of the federal government and not of State, County and/or City governments, and that routine adherence to protocols developed to facilitate detention and deportation of our neighbors – without thoughtful case-by case attention to context and details – constitutes assaults on the lives of people and their children, on community safety, on civil rights, on access to due process, and on our democracy itself.

As a pediatrician who has lived and worked in Multnomah County since 1965, I care especially about the well-being of our children. You who have worked so devotedly, year after year, to protect families in distress know full well that immigrant and refugee victims and survivors of domestic violence who are terrified of the prospect of deportation of the abuser on whom they are economically dependent, or of themselves, are likely to be reluctant to seek help no matter how desperately needed. Further, there is abundant evidence that parental separation due to incarceration is itself an adverse childhood experience that, especially when combined with such other family problems as abuse or neglect, creates or increases the risk of severe developmental problems in the childhood years; psychological, social, and behavioral problems in the teenage years; and serious chronic medical problems in the adult years. (Please see documentation below.)

Let's keep working together to protect our children from harm, and to make life better for everyone who lives, works, studies, worships, or travels in Multnomah County.

Documentation:

Robert Anda. The Health and Social Impact of Growing Up with Adverse Childhood Experiences: The Human and Economic Costs of the Status Quo. (2007) [This comprehensive 40-page review is accessible at this website:

<http://www.childwelfare.gov/can/impact/consequences.cfm> .]

Additional reports about the effects of domestic violence and other adverse childhood experiences are accessible at <http://www.cdc.gov/ace/outcomes.htm#Partner>.

A comprehensive listing of 70 studies of biomedical, emotional, and economic consequences in medical care of abusive childhood experiences, is accessible at this website:

www.theannainstitute.org/ACE%20Study/ACE-PUB.pdf

*Herman M. Frankel, M.D. (503-227-1860) prepared this testimony on 04/03/13 for presentation on 04/04/13 to members of the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners. <ice19.docx> Page 1 of 1