



July 10, 2018

Mayor Woodards & City Council
City of Tacoma

Dear Mayor Woodards and esteemed City Council members,

We write to you in solidarity with people held in the Northwest Detention Center (NWDC), detainees' families, and those at risk of immigration detention. There is no fence tall enough to hide Tacoma's immigration prison from us.

On July 6th, 2018, Mayor Woodards stated, "I vow that I will continue to fight for the health, safety and success of immigrants and refugees." At the same time, the City of Tacoma was building a fence to prevent activists from calling attention to human rights abuses at the NWDC. The fence is merely a symptom of the disease of detention and deportation that the city facilitates. This reveals the contradiction in Tacoma City government.

How can Tacoma call itself a "Welcoming City" with people who fight for the health and safety of immigrants when city government fails to enforce health and safety regulations at the detention center? We say that it cannot. Amid long-term issues regarding a lack of nutritious food, clean clothes and drinkable water, the NWDC is right now experiencing a health crisis -- a chickenpox outbreak. GEO Group's failure to manage the health and safety of the people there is currently on display, as even US Representative Derek Kilmer was unable to visit to investigate conditions due to health concerns in June 2018.

We call on city government to enforce Tacoma Municipal Code 6B.10.140(6) to revoke GEO Group's business license because its conduct has resulted in a danger to the public health and safety of all detained immigrants, and by extension those who work around or visit them.

We have a petition signed by over 500 people that we include for public comments, as well as the Spanish translation below. We look forward to Tacoma becoming a truly welcoming city, one that fights for the health, safety and success of immigrants and refugees.

Sincerely,

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Al Concilio de la Ciudad de Tacoma y a la Alcaldesa Victoria Woodards

¡Quitarle la licencia al Geo Group quien enjaula a la gente en el Centro de Detención del Noroeste; (NWDC por sus siglas en inglés)

El 6 de julio la Alcaldesa Woodwards dijo “Me comprometo a seguir luchando por la salud, seguridad y éxito de inmigrantes y refugiados.” Al mismo tiempo la Ciudad de Tacoma está construyendo una barda para prevenir que lxs activistas sigan llamando la atención a los abusos a los derechos humanos en NWDC. La barda es sólo un síntoma de la enfermedad de la detención y deportación que la ciudad permite.

¿Cómo puede Tacoma autodenominarse una “Ciudad Acogedora” con la gente quien lucha por la salud y seguridad de inmigrantes, cuando el gobierno de la ciudad fracasa en enforzar las regulaciones de salud y seguridad en el centro de detención? Nosotrxs decimos que no puede. Entre varias preocupaciones que han ocurrido por mucho tiempo con respecto a la falta de comida nutritiva, ropa limpia y agua potable, en el NWDC hay una crisis de salud - un brote de varicela. Es obvio que el Geo Group ha fracasado en manejar la salud y la seguridad de la gente, como el representante Derek Gilmer no lo dejaron entrar a investigar las condiciones debido a las preocupaciones de salud en junio del present año.

Exigimos al gobierno de la ciudad que haga cumplir el código municipal 6B.10.140(6) para revocar la licencia de negocio a Geo debido a su conducta la cual ha resultado en poner en peligro la salud pública y la seguridad de lxs inmigrantes detenidxs, y por extensión a aquellos que trabajan ahí o aquellxs que visitan el lugar para ver a sus seres queridos.

Atentamente,

La Resistencia al NWDC

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Signed by 633 people:

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