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William Lothrop
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Subject: Opposition to the Use of FCI, Dublin as an ICE Detention Facility

Dear Acting Director Lothrop,

As the City Manager of Dublin, CA, I am writing to express the City's strong opposition to the rumored use of the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI), Dublin as an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention facility. Utilizing this facility for immigration detention raises significant concerns regarding safety, infrastructure, and the well-being of those who would be housed there. In fact, the Bureau of Prisons (BOP) has already determined that FCI, Dublin is unfit for active service. Reports indicate that the facility has severe issues, including asbestos and mold contamination, making it a health hazard for any individuals detained there, as well as for staff. If it does not meet the standards for a federal prison, it should not be repurposed for immigration detention.

Additionally, FCI, Dublin lacks the necessary infrastructure to facilitate immigration enforcement or processing for detainees. Unlike other immigration detention centers, it was not built to support the legal, medical, and logistical needs of individuals undergoing immigration proceedings. Attempting to convert it for this purpose would likely result in inadequate conditions for detainees and operational inefficiencies.

Furthermore, FCI, Dublin is a minimum-security facility situated in a residential community. Converting it into an ICE detention center would disrupt the local area and raise concerns about the impact on nearby residents. Detention facilities require extensive infrastructure and security measures that could negatively impact the surrounding community.

Finally, members of Congress, including Representatives Mark DeSaulnier and Zoe Lofgren, have voiced strong opposition to this idea. Their concerns align with those of community members and advocacy groups who recognize that this facility is not suitable for immigration detention. Their opposition reflects the broader consensus that any such idea should not be pursued. The members have an inquiry into the Bureau of Prisons to understand the department's intentions with the FCI Dublin facility, but that inquiry has yet to be answered.

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Given these concerns, the City of Dublin respectfully urges ICE and the federal administration to abandon any plans to use FCI, Dublin as an immigration detention facility. Thank you for your attention to this matter. We appreciate your consideration and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Colleen Tribby". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Colleen" being more prominent than the last name "Tribby".

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Cc: Dublin City Council
Congressman Mark Desaulnier, CA 10th District Representative
Congressman Eric Swalwell, CA 14th District Representative
Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren, CA 18th District Representative