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August 8, 2025

Governor Gavin Newsom
1021 O Street, Suite 9000
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Letter of Support Calling on the California State Legislature to Protect Due Process

Dear Governor Newsom,

The City of Arcata writes to affirm its status as a sanctuary city and its values of dignity, inclusion, and justice for all members of our community, regardless of immigration status.

Due process is a foundational principle of the United States Constitution, and all individuals—including immigrants—are entitled to fair treatment under the law, including access to legal representation and notice of legal proceedings.

Cities across California have taken proactive steps to affirm their sanctuary city commitments, support legal advocacy, and call for federal accountability. The City of Arcata seeks to join these collective efforts by urging California's state legislators to support legislation that defends immigrant rights and to demand transparency, accountability, and due process from federal agencies conducting enforcement operations in our communities.

The City of Arcata formally calls on the California State Legislature, including all State Senators and Assemblymembers, to advocate for the protection of due process rights for immigrant residents and to oppose any enforcement activity that occurs without appropriate legal procedures or community safeguards.

The City affirms its ongoing commitment to being a sanctuary jurisdiction and will continue to collaborate with local, regional, and statewide partners to uphold immigrant rights and ensure access to community resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alexandra Stillman".

Alexandra Stillman
Mayor
City of Arcata

cc.

Mike McGuire, State Senator, District 2

Jared Huffman, State Congressman, District 2

Chris Rogers, State Assemblymember, District 2

Rob Bonta, California Attorney General