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Councilmember Georgette Gómez Calls Deportation of Silvia Ocampo ‘Shameful’

SAN DIEGO – Today, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency is set to deport Silvia Ocampo, a hardworking single mother of three children, one with special needs. Silvia has lived in the United States for over 24 years, and has been allowed to stay in the United States as long as she checked in with government officials every year. Ms. Ocampo complied with the request, yet ICE has now chosen to deport her, separating her from her three children, two of which are minors and one with special needs.

Councilmember Georgette Gómez issued the following statement:

“The fact that ICE would separate a hardworking single mother of three from her children is shameful. It is not right for the US government to tear families apart. Silvia is a hardworking, tax paying, single mother of three, with a special needs eight year old child. Separating her from her family is unjust and cruel.”

For more background information on what is happening, you can check out the San Diego Union Tribune article at: <http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/immigration/sd-me-deported-mother-20171018-story.html>

Silvia Ocampo was a trustee for the local hotel workers union, UNITE HERE Local 30. UNITE HERE held a rally today at 10:30 a.m. in front of the Edward J. Schwartz Federal Building to support Ms. Ocampo.

For the latest information, visit our website at www.sandiego.gov/cd9, or follow Councilmember Gómez on Facebook and Twitter at www.facebook.com/sdcmgomez or @GGomezD9.

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