

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Secretary Kristi Noem
Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
Office of Legislative Affairs
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Dear Secretary Noem,

We write to demand the Department of Homeland Security not to deploy U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) or other immigration enforcement personnel at the upcoming Super Bowl in Santa Clara, California. This should be a moment of celebration, unity, and economic opportunity, not a flashpoint for fear, polarization, and violence.

Across the country, aggressive and often indiscriminate ICE operations have caused real harm. They have led to multiple deaths, sparked justified national outrage, and caused lasting damage to trust and well-being in communities. High-profile raids and the detention of children have traumatized families, discouraged people from accessing essential services, and eroded trust in law enforcement and public institutions. These practices do not enhance public safety; they undermine it.

The Super Bowl should be the opposite of this experience. Sports are meant to be joyful opportunities for people to come together across backgrounds, celebrate shared pride, and feel welcome in public spaces. This event is expected to create up to \$630 million in local economic impact. The community is counting on it to drive tourism, create jobs, and boost spending in hospitality, services, and small businesses. A visible ICE presence risks deterring attendance, reducing travel and spending, and undermining the gains that host communities have worked years to secure.

Having ICE at the Super Bowl would undermine public safety, disrupt communities, and threaten the peaceful enjoyment this event should bring to the region and the nation.

Members of Congress from California are united in a simple principle: public safety is built through trust, not fear. We trust you will give this letter your full and fair consideration under all applicable laws and regulations. We demand DHS rely on standard large-scale event security and coordination with local partners, not immigration enforcement that jeopardizes safety, unity, and economic success.

Sincerely,



Ro Khanna
Member of Congress



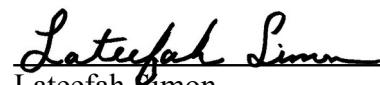
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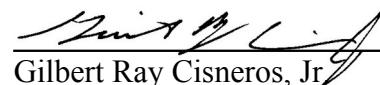
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