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Dear Sheriff Aherns,

I am very concerned by immigration enforcement. The apparent shift in ICE operations to give nearly arbitrary power to local offices is seriously damaging our communities. The LA police have just reported a drop in crime reports likely due to fear of ICE. The new federal guidelines for priorities and expedited removal are spreading fear. There are reports of ICE staking out courts and jails. This will weaken trust in police and sheriff's offices.

*Please assure me that Alameda County will avoid any coordination or information sharing with ICE or other federal agencies.*

I am very proud to be an Alameda resident and a large part of that derives from our safe progressive community.

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson