

WHEREAS, there are ongoing human rights and civil rights violations taking place at the T. Don Hutto Detention Facility in Taylor, Texas, a facility funded by the Immigration Customs and Enforcement (ICE); and

WHEREAS, women and their children, who are asylum seekers from countries other than Mexico, are being detained at the facility without due process; and

WHEREAS, the federal government through the Immigration Customs and Enforcement has shamefully made the imprisoning of immigrants and asylum seekers a for-profit business and the Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) is making millions of dollars monthly from imprisoning asylum seekers and immigrants; and

WHEREAS, the children detained at T. Don Hutto are separated from their mother during "lock-down" hours/ nigh-time; and

WHEREAS, the children at the facility are not receiving the 7 hours of education mandated by the State of Texas; and

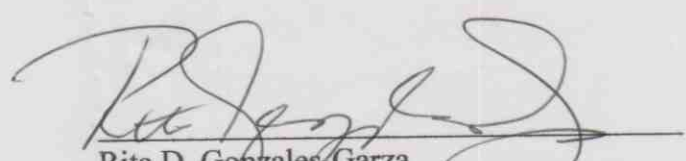
WHEREAS, the children are only allowed 1 hour of outdoors activity a day and are denied the basic freedoms they should be granted by law; and

WHEREAS, the denial of human rights and the denial of civil rights to asylum seekers and immigrants is an outrage that will not be tolerated in a free country, the United States of America;

THEREFORE, Be it resolved, that LULAC Council 650 goes on record demanding that the federal government address the injustices occurring at the T. Don Hutto facility and cease providing U.S. tax dollars to private corporations to detain and/or imprison immigrants and asylum seekers.

Resolution passed by LULAC Council 650 on April 26, 2007, for consideration by State LULAC at its annual convention.

Respectfully submitted,


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Accepted