

Office of U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown
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Dear Senator Brown:

I am writing to let you know about the serious concern I have about Maribel Trujillo Diaz's impending removal on July 31, 2015. I ask your assistance in urging the Department of Homeland Security to offer prosecutorial discretion or to grant a stay of removal for Ms. Trujillo, case A 088 922 375. Maribel was caught by ICE while she was working at Koch foods in 2007.

Maribel is a devoted mother to her four children (Oswaldo 12 years-old; Alexa 11; Gustavo 9; Daniela 2). They are all U.S. citizens. She and her husband have worked long hours in difficult jobs to provide for them. Three of Maribel's children have been diagnosed with disabilities that require special care. Oswaldo suffers from clinically diagnosed depression. Gustavo is prediabetic. Most recently, Daniela suffered a seizure and is under the care of doctors to figure out what is wrong. Maribel's husband must work long hours to support the family, and so these children need their mother to help care for them and make sure they get the treatment they need. If the Department of Homeland Security deports Maribel, her children will suffer.

Maribel has been in the United States for about thirteen years, and she is an outstanding member of our community. She attends church regularly at St. Julie Billiard Parish in Hamilton, Ohio. She regularly participates as a scripture reader at Sunday Mass. She and her husband, even now, are participating in an eight session Friday evening adult education course. They have made sure that their children have participated in Sunday school for a good number of years. Maribel has no criminal record and has never missed an appointment with immigration. She is clearly not a threat to the safety of our community. Deporting Maribel will hurt, rather than harm our community.

The President announced that Department of Homeland Security is focused on deporting "felons, not families." As a mother of four US citizen children who regularly attends church and has no criminal background, Maribel should not be considered a priority for deportation. I ask for your help to stop the Department of Homeland Security from deporting Maribel on July 31, or at the very least, grant her a stay of removal, so she can stay here with her family.

Sincerely,

(Name)

(Zip Code)