## CALL TO ACTION #4: Tell Our Attorney General to Fight ICE Overreach

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## **Background:**

In the past two months, ICE has escalated a disturbing pattern of allegedly targeting and forcibly disappearing international students, professors, lawful permanent residents, and others on valid visas, in many cases without following due process—seemingly not for any criminal activity, but for their political speech and participation.

These are not isolated incidents. These are deliberate warning shots aimed at those who dare to express a political opinion that the current Administration disagrees with.

The current Administration is not executing ordinary immigration policy. This is a dangerous full-blown campaign to criminalize dissent.

These ICE actions represent a direct attack on the First Amendment, the destruction of due process, and the resurrection of surveillance and retaliation. This campaign is designed to send a clear message that dissent will be punished. The result could cause a chilling effect on dissent nationwide.

State Attorneys Generals (AG) have both the authority and the responsibility to defend their residents against federal overreach. They can file legal challenges, demand transparency, enforce sanctuary protections, and defend protections in schools, worksplaces, and universities, among other things.

Minnesota AG Keith Ellison has used swift legal positioning and vocal defense to demonstrate how AGs can wield both legal tools and public pressure to confront injustice. He notes, "When a government deports, threatens, [and] arrests people for First Amendment activity, that government is tyrannical."

To learn more, click **HERE**.

## **Script:**

Call IL Attorney General Kwame Raoul.

Click **HERE** and complete a short form (Name, mailing address, and email address). After submitting your information, you'll receive a personalized script and instructions for making your call.

Email IL Attorney General Kwame Raoul.

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Attorney General Kwame Raoul via links above.

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