MEDIA ALERT

Muslims, Latinos, & African Americans will march together on May 1st to support “A Day Without Immigrants”

WHAT: Immigrants across the country will participate in “A Day Without Immigrants” by staying home from work and school and not making any purchases to demonstrate that immigrants are significant contributors to our economy and an integral part of this country.

On Monday, May 1st, immigrants and allies will dress in red, white and blue and gather at Clayborn Temple, and then march together as one community to the National Civil Rights Museum to support local immigrants. The march is part of the national strike led by Cosecha, a nonviolent movement fighting for permanent protection, dignity, and respect for the 11 million undocumented immigrants in the country.

“A Day Without Immigrants” is not exclusive to Latino immigrants. This is a march that calls for unity and support for all immigrants. Members from the Muslim community will lead a prayer, and allies from the African American community as well as other national immigrants rights organizations, national workers centers and unions will also be part of the march. Local students will present an original and powerful spoken word performance, which expresses a united voice that is often unheard. Danza Azteca will also perform an indigenous Aztec dance in their colorful feathered traditional costumes.

WHO: Mauricio Calvo, Latino Memphis
Keedran Franklin, Coalition of Concerned Citizens
Genevieve Sneed, FF15 Homecare
Verónica Márquez, Comunidades Unidas en Una Voz
Anne Smith, Workers Interfaith Network
Keith Williams, Southern Christian Leadership Conference Memphis
Jacob Flowers,
José Salazar, Cosecha

WHEN: Monday, May 1, 2017: 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: Clayborn Temple, 6294 Hernando St, Memphis, TN 38126 and march to National Civil Rights Museum, 450 Mulberry St, Memphis, TN 38103

VISUALS: Spoken word: local students David Aguilar, Chantel Barcenas, Daniela García
Muslim prayer: by members of the Muslim community
Danza Azteca: indigenous Aztec dance
Immigrants and allies marching with banners, posters, and American flags

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