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Dear Members of the Commission Streamlining Task Force,

As the daughter of immigrants who fled war in search of safety and opportunity, I know firsthand the struggles that many immigrant families face when starting over in a new country. These days, things are even harder as families are being torn apart by ICE and rising xenophobia, especially toward immigrants of color and non-white communities.

We need strong institutions that stand up for immigrant communities. The Immigrant Rights Commission is one of those vital bodies. It serves an essential role in advising the Mayor and Board of Supervisors on policies that directly impact immigrants living and working in San Francisco. The Commission not only advocates for better access to city services but also makes sure immigrant voices are heard and respected in local government.

Through its outreach, policy work, and collaboration with other departments, the Commission helps ensure that immigrant residents feel seen, supported, and empowered to participate in civic life. It also educates the broader public about the rich contributions immigrants make to our city's culture, economy, and community.

I urge you to preserve the Immigrant Rights Commission in its full capacity.

Thank you,
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**Speaking in my personal capacity as a Commissioner, not on behalf of the Commission as a whole.*