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United States Senator Adam Schiff
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: CITY OF PARAMOUNT CONCERNS REGARDING DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY FACILITY**

Dear Senator Schiff:

On behalf of the City of Paramount, I am writing to share our community's concerns regarding the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) facility located within our city limits, especially in light of recent increases in immigration enforcement activity in our region.

Paramount is a city that values community stability, safety, and the well-being of all its residents. The recent visible uptick in enforcement actions has raised anxiety among many families in our community, and the presence of this DHS facility has only heightened those concerns. In response, the City respectfully requests your assistance in obtaining additional clarity from DHS about the current and future use of this facility. Despite our efforts, the City has not been able to successfully obtain information from the property owner or the lessee.

Specifically, we would appreciate your help in securing the following information:

- A detailed explanation of the facility's current operations and scope of use;
- Whether there are any future plans for expansion or modification of activities at the site;
- The date of expiration for DHS's current lease on the property;
- Any communications or planning related to the potential use of the facility as a temporary detention or holding center.

The City of Paramount strongly opposes any future use of this facility for detention purposes. Such use would be incompatible with the character of our community and detrimental to the trust and safety of our residents. We therefore respectfully urge you to

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contact DHS on our behalf to request a detailed briefing on the facility's status and to advocate against any plans for detention or temporary housing of individuals at this location.

We are grateful for your continued advocacy on behalf of our communities and trust that you will help us seek transparency and accountability regarding the use of this federal facility. We are ready to provide any additional information or support your office may require in following up on this matter.

Thank you for your attention and continued partnership. You may reach our City Manager John Moreno at 562-220-2225 or by email: jmoreno@paramountcity.gov

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