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Honorable Kristi Noem  
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Subject: Opposition to the Use of FCI, Dublin as an ICE Detention Facility

Dear Secretary of Homeland Security Noem,

On behalf of the City of Dublin, I am writing to follow up on my previous correspondence from April 4, 2025 regarding the rumored use of the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI), Dublin as an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention facility. To date, we have not received any communication or clarification addressing the concerns we raised. Given the significance of this issue to our community, we respectfully request an update on the Department's intentions for the facility.

As stated in our original letter, the City of Dublin remains strongly opposed to any proposal to repurpose FCI Dublin as an ICE detention site. The facility has been deemed unfit for active use by the Bureau of Prisons, with well-documented health and safety hazards including asbestos and mold contamination. If it does not meet the standards for a federal prison, it should not be repurposed for immigration detention.

We also reiterate that FCI Dublin lacks the necessary infrastructure to meet the operational needs inherent to immigration detention. Its location within a residential neighborhood and its design as a minimum-security facility further underscore its incompatibility with such a purpose. Attempting to convert it for this purpose would likely result in inadequate conditions for detainees and operational inefficiencies.

Members of Congress, including Representatives Mark DeSaulnier and Zoe Lofgren, have expressed similar concerns and continue to await responses to their inquiries regarding the federal government's plans for this property. The absence of clarity or engagement to date has left our community unsettled and seeking assurance from the Department.

For these reasons, and in the continued absence of information or outreach from federal agencies, we respectfully request that the Department formally acknowledge and document the City of Dublin's opposition to the use of FCI Dublin as an ICE detention facility. We urge the Department to ensure that no such plans move forward. Thank you again for your attention to this matter. We look forward to receiving a timely response.

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