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The Honorable Kristi Noem
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The Honorable Secretary Kristi Noem,

As the U.S. Representative for Texas' 32nd Congressional District and a member of the House Committee on Homeland Security, I write to seek clarity on the Dallas Police Department's cooperation with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), particularly in regards to the statement made by Assistant Chief Israel Herrera on December 9, 2025 at a Dallas Police Oversight Board Meeting informing the board that ICE agents do not have to show proof of identity to the Dallas Police Department (DPD).

DPD opted not to enter into a 287(g) agreement with ICE, however, the region still expects that federal partners will act in good faith with our local officials and the police department.

As we have seen a rise in impersonations of ICE agents and attacks on ICE officers, specifically at the Dallas ICE field office, to ensure transparency and public safety, it is crucial that ICE, at a minimum, identify themselves to DPD. Please respond to the following questions by January 15, 2026.

1. Are ICE agents instructed to visibly display their agency when engaging with the Dallas Police Department and other local law enforcement?
2. Are ICE agents and other federal law enforcement required to present verifiable identification to DPD upon request?
3. How is DPD expected to engage appropriately with ICE officers if ICE officers do not identify themselves appropriately?
4. Do you think it puts your agents, DPD, and the public at risk when ICE agents do not identify with local law enforcement?

Sincerely,

Julie E. Johnson
Member of Congress