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(Narrator)

Representative Elizabeth Hernandez, Champion Legislator of Welcoming Centers.

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(Representative Elizabeth Hernandez)

I would like to say I'm very, very pleased to know that you are doing this,

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because I think the country needs to know what the kind of work that's being done

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at the Welcoming Centers, in a time that I think immigrant communities have been so,

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you know, put on the line of fire. You know, one of the areas that I continue working on is funding. Funding the

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Welcoming, that's that's a top priority of mine. We need to continue funding.

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I like the - it's obvious that, you know, if the Welcoming Centers are being recognized as a way to reach our our our immigrant communities,

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then I hope that this gives, sort of, it offers why we must continue to fund it. This is love of work.

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So I, I, I'm very interested what our next steps can be.

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We're only just beginning. This is just the beginning. I have a will, there is love for what I do and I'm going to work to the best of my

ability.

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