

Office of the President
Loretto Community
2502 Rudy Lane
Louisville, KY 40207

December 7, 2020

President-elect Joseph R. Biden
Vice President-elect Kamala Harris
% Biden-Harris Transition Team

RE: Urgent Reunification of Migrant Families

Dear President-elect Biden and Vice President-elect Harris,

On behalf of the Loretto Community, consisting of Catholic Sisters and Co-Members working for justice and acting for peace, and our social justice partners and friends, we write with heartfelt congratulations on your election as the next President and Vice President of the United States of America! We are filled with hope that your message of unity will truly help our country to “build back better” and restore the principles of democracy and institutional norms. We affirm your priorities to beat the COVID-19 pandemic, support economic recovery, advance racial equity, and tackle the climate crisis.

As you actively plan for your administration’s transition to leadership, we implore you to move immigration justice to the top of your agenda. **More specifically, we call on you to take immediate action to reunite the over 500 (some estimate over 600) migrant children with their families who were separated at our border.** As a community that works to be a healing presence and a force for change at the border, we share President-Elect Biden’s outrage at this criminal act done in the name of the U.S. government by the Trump Administration.

We urge you to act immediately to name your task force to address this injustice, and not wait until you officially begin your term in office in January. Every day that passes adds to the trauma that these children continue to endure at our hands. Reuniting these children with their families would do much to restore decency and integrity in our country.

Respectfully with hope,

The Latin America/Caribbean Committee ([LACC](#))

On behalf of the Loretto Community,

Barbara Nicholas
President
Loretto Community

This letter can be endorsed by individuals and organizations, congregations or institutions. The deadline for endorsements is Monday, December 7, 2020

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