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TRUMP'S FABRICATION OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY ATTACKS OUR DEMOCRACY

Las Vegas, NV – Today, President Trump has declared a state of national emergency shortly after signing a bill that includes billions of dollars in funding border militarization. Trump declaring a national emergency is a threat to our country's democracy, and a desperate attempt to receive money for his racist border wall.

Leo Murrieta, Director of Make the Road Nevada, issued the following statement:

“Once again President Trump has forgotten about the real issues that our country faces, his decision to declare a national state of emergency in order to take tax payers' money for a border wall is an abuse of power. Trump's blatant disregard for the very foundational pillars of our constitution just so he can attack immigrants and asylum-seekers is inexcusable. Congress should use their power to put an end to this recklessness.

Democrats in Congress handed the President increased funding for immigrant detention, border militarization, and played right into his plans to terrorize immigrant communities. If it were their families in danger or facing the kinds of threats, they just agreed to, maybe Congressional Democrats would have thought twice and fought harder to protect the American public from this President's tirades. They must act now, stand up to this tyrannical President and block his actions swiftly.”

Additionally, the bill that was signed increases detention beds, militarizes our border, and does not block the administration from moving money from other important programs. Our immigrant families will continue to get attacked. We are counting on Congress to reject Trump's declaration and stand up for all the people of America.”

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