**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

**MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA**

**VALDOSTA DIVISION**

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| ESTEBAN SANTOS EUCEDA,<br>Petitioner,<br><br>v.<br><br>U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT; DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY; and facility officials,<br>Respondents. | Case No [redacted]<br><br>EMERGENCY FILING |

## EMERGENCY MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND STAY OF TRANSFER OR REMOVAL

Petitioner Esteban Santos Euceda, submitted by his wife Christine Santos for filing, respectfully asks this Court for an emergency temporary restraining order and stay stopping ICE from transferring him or removing him from the United States until the Court can review this emergency filing.

This is an emergency because Petitioner was taken into ICE custody after a criminal charge that his wife disputes and states was false. The family understands that the charge was dropped after Christine showed evidence to the District Attorney. Petitioner should not be detained, transferred, or removed based on a charge that was dropped.

Petitioner and his family have been working with immigration since 2012. The family has tried to follow every court and immigration requirement. Christine Santos believes Esteban should have had his residency card by now and that the family was waiting for the immigration judge and immigration process to finish after the hardship petition and prior hearing where removal was not granted.

Petitioner has lived with his family, has cooperated with immigration requirements, and has attended required hearings. He was previously released on an $8,000 immigration bond from New York and complied with his release and court requirements. This shows he is not a flight risk.

Petitioner is urgently needed at home. [redacted] Because of the sudden arrest and ICE detention, she does not have every medical letter today, but she can obtain and submit medical letters for herself and the children as soon as possible.

Petitioner also helped save and repair the family home after Hurricane Helene. The family lived in a camper for almost a year and a half while Petitioner worked to make the home livable again. This shows his strong family ties and that he does what is needed to support his family.

Petitioner has employment and works for Tyler, who may be contacted at [redacted] and can speak about Petitioner, his work, and his character.

Petitioner respectfully requests that the Court order ICE and all Respondents not to remove him from the United States and not to transfer him away from his current Georgia detention location until the Court can review this emergency filing and hold any hearing the Court believes is necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature: Esteban Santos, Christine Santos (next friend)

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