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Dear Michigan Affiliate,

On behalf of NCLR and our Board of Directors, I would like to take this special opportunity to encourage each of you to participate in the upcoming National Affiliate Listening Tour. You have already received previous communication from NCLR on the event, and as you know, Janet Murguia, NCLR Executive Director/COO, will be in Kansas City from September 20 to 21 to meet with you and listen to the Midwest Affiliates' priorities and issues.

While we understand that your attendance at this meeting may require some extra effort given the distance, we certainly hope that if you are able, you will join us, as it will offer a unique opportunity to engage in intimate and substantive dialogue.

The Midwest Affiliate Roundtable with Janet will provide a forum to examine and discuss the Affiliate/NCLR relationship as well as a special opportunity for you to share broader community and regional issues so that, Janet can gain a more comprehensive understanding of the Midwest Affiliates and the context in which you are working.

In addition to the Affiliate Roundtable Discussion on September 20, we will be hosting a networking reception that evening so that you can interact with Janet, local board members, fellow Affiliates and other community members in an informal setting.

On September 21, we hope you will join us for a wrap-up morning session with Janet and a press event highlighting local affiliates who are engaged in voter registration and immigration work.

We are enthusiastically anticipating your attendance at this important event and look forward to seeing you soon. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact either Janet or me.

Thank you for your continued partnership.

Best regards,

Ray Lozano
NCLR Acting Board Chair

