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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) **opposes** Council File 25-0112: Title, Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project / Removal Proceedings / Stop-Gap Funding / City-Owned Property / Non-Profit Legal Services Providers / RepresentLA Program. This motion seeks to identify \$540,000 in city funds and the use of city property near federal immigration courts to provide legal services to non-citizens subject to federal removal proceedings. At a time when the city faces budget problems, it makes little sense for the city to spend taxpayer funds for the legal defense of migrants in violation of the law. The over half million dollars

should be used instead to fund law enforcement programs.

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