

National Solidarity Rally Against Hazleton Anti-"Illegal" Immigration "Relief" Act

August 13, 2006- 2 pm (buses leave 10 AM in Philly)

Hazleton, PA

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The recent passage of the Illegal Immigration Relief Act in Hazleton, PA has brought out the worst racism in the small city's citizens. After passage of the act, due to go into effect on September 13th, 2006, Hazleton Latinos have been targeted by the harsh actions of their neighbors. The act targets the city's Latino population by forcing employers to dismiss workers who cannot prove their legal status by levying \$1,000 per day fines and revoking their of business licenses. More than 300 workers have already been dismissed and the American Pork processing plant and the VanHoekelen Greenhouse have closed their doors seeking replacement workers. The law will force renters to kick out their tenants on Sept. 13.

An envoy of leaders from the PA Statewide Latino Coalition and Jobs with Justice during the weekend of July 29th found the words "KKK" and "Spics" prominently graffitied in the town. Latinos have had their business vandalized with rocks threw their windows and many Latino families report that city employees stopped picking up their trash from the curb three weeks ago. Signs on bar fronts warn that they serve "Legals only" and that customers must "Speak English or Leave."

A civil, and economic crisis is mounting on a level not seen since Montgomery, AL in 1968. Now, workers, community members, workers, students and people of faith are called to act in the name of freedom and equality. We encourage citizens and organizations to join us in this march to justice!

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Contact Name _____

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Will Contribute \$ _____ Will Mobilize _____ people

Individual Participation (RSVP REQUIRED)

Buses will depart from El Concilio, 7th and Fairmount, Phila, PA, \$20 per ticket. Scholarships Available Upon Request. Buses leave at 10:00 am.

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