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March 14, 2018

Mr. Thomas Brophy
Acting Field Office Director
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Boston Field Office
1000 District Avenue
Burlington, MA 01803-5229

RE: Malik Naveed Bin Rehman and Zahida Altaf

Dear Mr. Brophy,

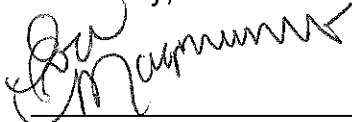
We are writing today regarding our constituents, neighbors and respected members of our community, Malik Naveed Bin Rehman and Zahida Altaf. Malik Naveed Bin Rehman and Zahida Altaf are a married couple from Pakistan who currently reside in New Britain, Connecticut with their five year old, United States citizen daughter, Roniya Malik. They are being sentenced to deportation because, upon moving to the United States, their lawyer did not work to get them an extended visa and a path to citizenship, despite paying more than \$6,500 to their lawyer. The lawyer was sent to jail for fraud.

The family pays taxes, have no criminal record, and own Pizza Corner on Broad Street in New Britain. We feel that they do not pose a threat to our community and that they are an asset to our city as taxpayers and engaged community members. The removal of these individuals would not only negatively impact their family, but the entire City of New Britain as well.


As representatives of the City, we urge you to reconsider their March 19, 2018 removal date, consistent with the applicable laws, rules and regulations, in order to allow for the adjudication of their pending motions and applications. If you have any questions regarding this request, or would like to discuss the matter further, please contact Eva Magnuszewski, Common Council President Pro Tempore, at (860) 805-7131, or by email at eva.magnuszewski@newbritainct.gov.

We greatly appreciate your time and attention to this matter

Sincerely,



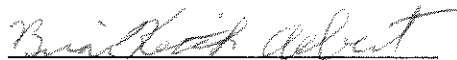
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Minority Leader



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City Councilor



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City Councilor



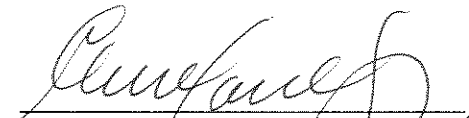
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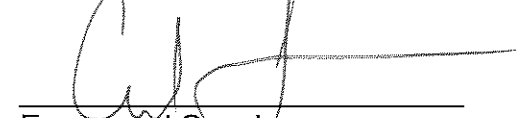
Daniel Salerno
City Councilor



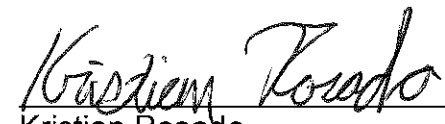
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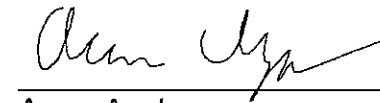
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Majority Leader



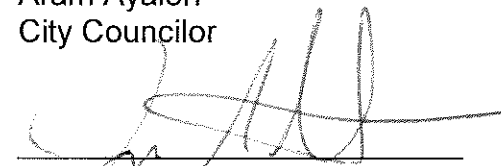
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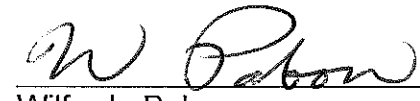
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