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### SILENCE IS CONSENT - LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

**Aiding and Abetting.** Assisting illegal aliens in any way to come to, or remain in our country, by any person, group, or organization is a violation of federal law.

**“Normalizing” and “Embedding” of Illegal Aliens.** Our federal government chooses NOT to enforce our immigration laws and has demonstrated that it will also persecute any state that tries to enforce our laws to protect itself, our citizens, and our country. Ignoring our laws is just one way of fundamentally changing America and destroying our Representative Republic form of government.

Another way is to “embed” and “normalize” illegal aliens. Normalizing happens when illegal aliens are “allowed” to come here, stay here, and “assume” the life of an American. And, they are allowed to do this because federal, state, and local officials and agencies, along with employers, hospitals, banks, and other businesses choose not to do anything about it. Either they are gaining something from illegal immigration or they are afraid to speak out against it. They just let it happen so that, in time, it will be the “new normal” our government speaks of. This is the passive part.

“Embedding” is the active part of allowing illegal immigration. Give illegal aliens drivers’ licenses, give them State and Federal benefits, give them jobs, give them health care, give them bank accounts and credit cards. Now they are “embedded” in every facet of **OUR** American life. Illegal aliens of all nationalities prize a state-issued driver’s license above all other identity documents because it serves as a domestic passport--the freedom to drive anywhere in the country with access to everything. It is the most widely accepted identity document in America and gives access to places, services, and transportation—and to **VOTER REGISTRATION**. <http://www.fsmarchives.org/article.php?id=1385191>  
Driver’s Licenses for Illegal Aliens: Keys to the Kingdom?

What a great deal, especially if they are not just the poor “migrant” looking for a better life. What a great deal for those who jump the border because they want to destroy our country or because they would never have been allowed to enter legally because of a criminal record or mental or physical disease, or participation in an illegal organization or gang. And therein lies the problem. **IF THEY COME HERE ILLEGALLY—WITHOUT THE PROPER INVESTIGATION AND BACKGROUND CHECKS--WE DO NOT KNOW WHO IS HERE, WHERE THEY ARE, OR WHAT THEY ARE DOING.**

**Rhode Island.** Another scheme to protect illegal aliens—that can be passive, active, or a combination of both--is creating a sanctuary city or state. Some cities and states actually enact legislation (in some form) directing that no inquiries about immigration status will be allowed. Others, such as Providence, create their sanctuary city by not enforcing the law and not cooperating with federal law enforcement agencies, thereby protecting illegal aliens and creating a sanctuary environment for them.

The State of Rhode Island, however, uses both methods. They not only ignore the law in day-to-day State business, but a good number of General Assembly members consistently introduce legislation to normalize, embed, and protect illegal aliens. And the burden of all these actions falls on the **American citizens and other LEGAL residents** who suffer the consequences because illegal aliens chose to break the law and **OUR** elected officials are working for them instead of working for us.

**Protecting our state and country.** In January, new governor Chafee rescinded former governor Carcieri's Executive Order to control illegal immigration. Also in January, new RI Attorney General Peter Kilmartin signed an agreement to implement a the federal Secure Communities Program, which matches fingerprints of every person arrested with the database of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

In February, Providence Public Safety Commissioner, Steven Pare (**former head of the RI State Police**) said that he is concerned about the message the Secure Communities Program sends to our community; and, on behalf of Providence Mayor Angel Taveras, he has sent a letter to Washington requesting to **OPT OUT** of the program. Regarding Section 287(g), of IIRAIRA AND INA (Immigration Law), he said that it is not a good idea and he does not believe local law enforcement should be immigration officers—period. When asked if he thinks Providence is a sanctuary city, he said that he understands that “concept,” but Providence is not a sanctuary city. Interview with Tim White at Channel 12 Newsmakers is at [http://www.wpri.com/dpp/on\\_air/newsmakers/newsmakers-february-12-steven-pare](http://www.wpri.com/dpp/on_air/newsmakers/newsmakers-february-12-steven-pare) Pare's opt-out letter to DHS, dated February 10, 2011, is at: <http://uncoverthetruth.org/letter-from-steven-pare-public-safety-commissioner-of-providence-rhode-island-requesting-information-about-not-participating-in-secure-communities>

[http://www.wpri.com/dpp/target\\_12/new-immigration-orders-for-prov-cops](http://www.wpri.com/dpp/target_12/new-immigration-orders-for-prov-cops) Tim White, Target 12, obtained a memo, dated January 24, 2011, signed by Public Safety Commissioner Pare and recently retired Deputy Police Chief Paul Kennedy, that instructs officers to stop running an immigration check through an electronic database connected to ICE. "Effective immediately, the Providence Police Department will no longer be using the INS Alien Query ... as notification to Immigration and Customs Enforcement regarding individuals being detained at Providence Police Headquarters," the memo states. "The Prosecution Bureau will continue to fax daily arraignment sheets of all persons charged with crimes to (ICE) until further notice." Again, an example of passive creation of a sanctuary environment.

In 2008, Providence police were faulted by an ICE official for faxing the daily arraignment sheet when Marco Riz, an illegal alien wanted for deportation by ICE, was arrested and charged with carjacking and raping a woman in Roger Williams Park. ICE's electronic system to check the immigration status of any person arrested--National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS)--was readily available to Providence police, but the department had consistently refused to use it.

In 2008, then-governor Carcieri's Executive Order to Control Illegal Immigration encouraged cooperation between local law enforcement agencies and ICE. The Providence police department refused to participate. Only a few months after the Executive Order was issued, its value was proved when Marco Riz was arrested.

Riz had previously been **arrested—AND RELEASED--more than once** by Providence police because the outdated faxing method slowed the process enough to allow for arraignment and release before ICE received the fax from Providence and returned the results. After Riz' 2008 arrest and the outrage it created, Providence police began using NLETS.

Target 12's report includes this: David Ortiz, a spokesman for Mayor Angel Taveras, said the police department was no longer using the Alien Query system "because that information will now be provided as part of Rhode Island's participation in the federal Secure Communities program." **HUH?** The Target 12 article was "Published : Monday, 21 Feb 2011, 4:31 PM EST" and cited the Providence police memo of January 24. Pare's Newsmakers appearance was "Published: Friday, 11 Feb 2011, 5:44 PM EST," in which Pare said he had sent an opt-out letter to Secure Communities at DHS, and that letter has a date of February 10. And, a spokesperson for Attorney General Peter Kilmartin said Secure Communities is not up and running in Rhode Island yet, and a start date for the program to begin operating has not been set.

To bring back an old Abbot and Costello skit, WHO'S ON FIRST?? Not only has Rhode Island lost three years of progress and protection against illegal immigration, but we don't even know which laws are in place or which law enforcement agencies are going to enforce which laws.

[http://www.projo.com/news/content/Charlestown\\_Arrestee\\_02-25-11\\_LOMM870\\_v21.1a1decc.html](http://www.projo.com/news/content/Charlestown_Arrestee_02-25-11_LOMM870_v21.1a1decc.html)  
Thank you to the Charlestown, RI, police department. Santos Senovio Arevalo, 27, a Guatemalan national, using the alias Santos Dubon, who allegedly returned to the U.S. after having been deported in October 2008 is in federal custody, arrested by the Charlestown police on domestic-violence charges. Police checked the national FBI criminal history database and found a notice from ICE that Arevalo was

deported on October 7, 2008, but had re-entered the United States, again, illegally. This is an illegal alien—who was deported 2 ½ years ago and re-entered, again illegally, was working illegally in the U.S. at Arturo Joe's restaurant in South Kingstown, and has now been arrested on violence-related charges of charges of simple assault/domestic; failure to relinquish the telephone in a domestic case; disorderly conduct/domestic; and resisting arrest. This could have been another Marco Riz, but a simple electronic check caught him. **But, has anybody followed up on the employer who gave him a job??**

[http://www.projo.com/news/content/ICE\\_DOCUMENT\\_FRAUD\\_02-25-11\\_PMMMMBR4\\_v14.1bd1e3a.html](http://www.projo.com/news/content/ICE_DOCUMENT_FRAUD_02-25-11_PMMMMBR4_v14.1bd1e3a.html)  
ICE's Operation Phalanx identified 102 Sabin Street, Apt. 3, Pawtucket, as one of dozens of "cells" allegedly operated nationwide by a Mexico-based "highly sophisticated and violent" fraudulent-document trafficking operation that produced and sold "high-quality" fraudulent documents to illegal immigrants in 19 cities in 11 states. Indictments were issued for 22 people on counts including murder, racketeering, money-laundering and kidnapping. Pawtucket and other cities were targeted as "more profitable and secure," based on "the amount of competition, profitability, **law enforcement-presence and potential client base comprising illegal aliens.**" "Runners" handed out business cards in the Hispanic community advertising the organization's services and "**solicited illegal aliens interested in purchasing false identification documents to facilitate their presence in the country.**" **The documents included driver's licenses, Social Security cards, permanent resident alien cards [green cards] and state and foreign IDs.** ICE director John Morton stated in a news release, "Fraudulent documents give people the appearance of lawful status and provide them a ticket to access and opportunities to which they are not entitled." Video of ICE Director Morton is at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ajQK8qCxi0k> and the ICE news release is at <http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1102/110224richmond.htm>

**"Trust Chafee"??** With Governor Chafee's rescission of Carcieri's Executive Order and the new directive for Providence police to go back to the slower, outdated faxing, the city of Providence and the State of Rhode Island have gone back to the 2008 sanctuary environment for illegal aliens, putting our citizens, our legal residents, our state, and our country at risk once again.

But all is not lost—yet. Rhode Island's finest—the men and women of the Rhode Island State Police—take their responsibilities seriously: to enforce our laws (all of them) equally for everyone. Rhode Island Public Safety Commissioner and Superintendent of our State Police, Brendan P. Doherty, issued a Media Release reaffirming support of the Rhode Island State Police for participation in the Secure Communities Program. Rather than interpret the newspaper article (which is printed below the Colonel's statement), the Colonel's Media Release is re-printed, in full, here:

The Rhode Island State Police will continue to work in cooperation with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to ensure the safety of our citizens. Part of this cooperation is our support of Attorney General Peter Kilmartin and his recent agreement with the Department of Homeland Security, specifically the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Agency, to participate in the Secure Communities program.

The purpose of the Secure Communities program is axiomatic; it simply allows for the fingerprints and information of a person lawfully charged with a crime to be compared to a database maintained by ICE. This comparison will merely be used as a tool to identify illegal aliens who have already committed crimes. The decision as to what action will be taken against criminal illegal aliens has and always will remain with ICE.

There are foreign nationals who illegally enter the United States on a daily basis, some of whom may be here for criminal or terrorist reasons. It defies logic that law enforcement agencies should opt not to use modern technology designed to identify and remove this potentially dangerous, criminal element because doing so may create an environment of "fear or mistrust" in the immigrant community. The Secure Communities Program provides law enforcement with another tool to ensure that when someone is lawfully arrested all aspects of that arrest are done in a thorough, efficient and complete manner.

"It is truly disappointing that the City of Providence has adopted its position regarding the Secure Communities Program, which only continues to foster the confusion and fear surrounding this effective law enforcement tool," stated Colonel Brendan P. Doherty, Superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police. "The City's attempt to prohibit the good men and women of the Providence Police Department

from participating in this very important cooperative program, during this day and age, is dangerous and irresponsible.” [http://www.projo.com/news/2011/pdf/0223\\_doherty\\_screponse.pdf](http://www.projo.com/news/2011/pdf/0223_doherty_screponse.pdf)

The Colonel's media release got an immediate reaction from Governor Chafee in a private meeting with the Colonel the day after the release. Michael Trainor, Chafee's communications director, said the governor did not know in advance about the Colonel's statement and the Colonel has agreed not to speak again publicly about Secure Communities until Chafee settles on his policy of whether or not to participate in this program (even though AG Kilmartin has already started the enrollment process). Amy Kempe, spokeswoman for AG Kilmartin, said, "Victims and witnesses of crime have nothing to fear by coming forward" because only a **SUSPECT'S** (emphasis added) fingerprints and identity information are being sent to ICE. "By not coming forward, they are putting themselves and their communities at greater risk..." She also said that "putting forth the idea that victims and witnesses will fear coming forward will perpetuate that fear." [http://www.projo.com/news/content/Doherty\\_Secure\\_Communities\\_02-25-11\\_LOMM45I\\_v53.1bd52ea.html](http://www.projo.com/news/content/Doherty_Secure_Communities_02-25-11_LOMM45I_v53.1bd52ea.html) So, before the police have had a chance to help a victim or witness to a crime, certain factions are planting the "fear" so that they can use it against the law enforcement agencies who are giving **EVERYONE** equal protection under the law.

[http://www.projo.com/opinion/editorials/content/ED\\_safety27\\_02-27-11\\_S4MLHAG\\_v9.1f40c46.html](http://www.projo.com/opinion/editorials/content/ED_safety27_02-27-11_S4MLHAG_v9.1f40c46.html)  
**Excerpts from ProJo editorial, Providence should enforce law.** Credit Atty. Gen. Peter Kilmartin with putting the safety of all Rhode Islanders ahead of politics, in pledging that the state will help the Feds identify illegal aliens, including potential terrorists, who pose a serious threat to the public. Unfortunately, that does not seem to be the case in Providence.

Mayor Angel Taveras's new safety commissioner, Steven Pare, has asked that Providence break from the rest of the state and not participate in the Secure Communities program. Some members of the immigrant community — by no means all — do not want the law enforced, and there are politicians who want to cultivate their votes. In a strange twist of logic, enforcing the law puts "public safety" at risk, we are told. Sharing information with U.S. immigration officials trying to stop serious offenders does not threaten any law-abiding residents. Indeed, it helps remove the most vicious predators from our neighborhoods.

Providence police are now refusing to cooperate with the "INS Alien Query" system. After using that system for two years, Providence is going back to simply faxing names to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Faxes, of course, are hard to read and cannot be used easily to interact with computer data bases. By reverting to this largely outmoded form of communication, Providence police are making it much harder for federal officials to protect the public. State Police Supt. Brendan Doherty rightly called the move "dangerous and irresponsible." This is not theoretical, unfortunately. During Providence's earlier fax era, an illegal immigrant named Marco Riz, wanted by ICE for deportation, was arrested twice by Providence police and released. Faxes failed to alert federal officials to the situation. In 2008, Riz was charged with carjacking and raping a woman at knifepoint in Roger Williams Park. Where is the compassion or concern for victims of lax law enforcement?

In the name of the common good and safety for all citizens, Providence should help enforce the law.

R.I.I.L.E. meets the first **Tuesday** of every month, at **7 p.m.**, at the American Legion Club, 1108 Charles St., North Providence (corner of Remington St. next to Citizens Bank). Parking in rear. Please help us save Rhode Island.

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