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Hello,

I am writing today in strong support of HB8328. Since January I have spent a few hours each week standing outside of the Garrahy Courthouse talking to folks about ICE and the way that they have deeply disrupted and devastated our community. In these conversations, I would often bring up the petition that the Deportation Defense group from Brown University has helped support. They would immediately understand why this action would make an impact, and you should too. Allowing virtual court hearings would provide an immense amount of protection for our community members who are at risk of wrongful deportation by ICE, and we can do something about it.

**Please strongly consider, and vote in favor of HB8328.**

Thank you,  
Shayna