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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to **Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago**. My name is Marcos F. Lopez and I am a U.S Citizen. I live at 110 South Main St. #2, Middlebury, Vermont, 05753. I am also a faculty member in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Middlebury College. My research expertise is on Mexican migration to the U.S., farm work, and agriculture.

I first met Mr. Lopez in October 2011 when I invited him and his collaborators at Migrant Justice to give a presentation at Middlebury College on farm workers in the state of Vermont. His lecture was extremely well received. In fact, more than 100 students, faculty members and community members attended his talk. His talk has had a lasting and inspiring effect on the campus community.

I have since had many conversations and interactions with Mr. Lopez. To put it simply, I am utterly impressed by his outstanding character. Even though he has a quiet demeanor, his actions and dedication to improving the lives of others speaks for itself. Mr. Lopez has made Vermont a better place to live by shortening the racial divide the often splits native Vermonters and the state's migrant farm worker community. His actions, such as advocating strongly for the passage of the state's Bias Free Policing policy, have improved the human rights of all.

Please grant **Mr. Lopez** prosecutorial discretion. I can honestly say that I am thankful for the actions he has taken to make Vermont a better place to live. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, mflopez@middlebury.edu, or 802-443-5620.

Best regards,

Marcos F. Lopez, Ph.D
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16 April 2012

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Leah Erlbaum and I rent an apartment at 33 Russell St. in Burlington, VT. I am a substitute teacher, gardener, and I also work with adults with developmental disabilities. I am a United States citizen and Vermont resident. I grew up in East Montpelier, VT, graduated from College of the Atlantic in 2008 with a B.A. in Human Ecology, and returned to Vermont in 2011. I am an active member of my greater Vermont community: I care for ageing neighbors and friends, I sing and dance in local groups, and I have a community garden plot. I volunteer in basic English classes with Vermont Adult Learning, and I also frequently volunteer with the Vermont Worker's Center and Migrant Justice to help with hotline calls and event planning.

I met Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago in the summer of 2011, and we have become friends since I moved to Burlington in October of 2011. I have spent time with Danilo both in informal social situations and in situations where he held a leadership role, such as leading workshops and speaking tours. Because I speak Spanish, Danilo and I have had the fortune to be able to communicate with ease, and I occasionally serve as an informal translator in Danilo's company.

I know Danilo as a thoughtful, generous, person who is a loyal friend and is a dedicated and articulate spokesman for racial equality and justice. Danilo is a familiar face to many Burlington residents, and he has become an integral part of our local community.

Danilo is eager to learn new things and is self-assured when approaching even the most substantial of projects. When I met Danilo, he was just learning about movie editing. He has since dedicated himself to improving his audio and video editing skills, and frequently is the go-to person for media expertise in his volunteer capacity at Migrant Justice. I am inspired by his willingness to learn from those around him – and by his boldness in immediately applying his learning to very public projects without a trace of the self-consciousness I might display in a similar role.

As a leader, Danilo is articulate and confident. I was present at the December 10th 2011 Human Rights Day Conference in Burlington, VT, where Danilo spoke as part of a panel and received an award for his human rights work. He also organized a workshop along with fellow organizers and volunteers from Migrant Justice to educate others about Vermont's dairy industry and the

root causes of migration. Workshop participants listened carefully when he spoke; he chooses his words with care, and speaks his mind frankly yet respectfully in a large group.

Danilo's outspoken support for human rights and anti-discrimination policies has moved many Vermonters to re-examine their own views on immigration and race, begin to embrace Vermont's diverse communities. Through dialogue and speeches to the Vermont legislature, college students, conference attendees, and even Vermont's governor, Danilo has become a recognizable face and spokesperson for an isolated and invisible group in our state. Danilo assumes this role with grace and confidence.

For these reasons, Danilo is a positive role model within the farm worker community, as well as in the larger Vermont community. I am personally inspired by Danilo's courage, as I know he inspires many of my Vermont neighbors and friends as well.

In conclusion, as my grandmother might say in Yiddish, Danilo is a "mensch": a person of integrity and dignity, with admirable values and a strong sense of right and wrong. He is a valuable asset to our community, an inspiration to many, and a good friend. **I strongly urge you to grant Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago should be granted prosecutorial discretion.**

Sincerely,

Leah Erlbaum

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S'ra DeSantis
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April 11, 2012

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to request that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. Danilo has become a friend of mine over the last year. I have been an organic vegetable farmer in Vermont since 1996. I also teach about agriculture at the University of Vermont.

I first met Danilo after his unfortunate arrest. My husband and I offered for Danilo to stay at our house. Danilo was an excellent guest and was great with my 6-year son, who adored him. He played with him and watched him, allowing me to get many chores done around the house. We asked Danilo to stay at our house and housesit, while we were away on vacation. Upon first meeting him it was obvious that he was a trustworthy and kind man.

I have seen Danilo public speak several times about migrant farm workers on Vermont dairies. He is incredibly eloquent and knowledgeable. I invited Danilo to speak in my class, Controversial Issues in Vermont Agriculture to discuss the perspective of a migrant farm worker. The students mentioned after class that it was their favorite and most interesting class of the year.

Again, I am asking you to please grant Danilo Prosecutorial Discretion. He is an incredible asset to the farming community in the state of Vermont. The remaining, struggling Vermont dairy farms could not exist without migrant farm workers. Most Vermonters do not want to work on dairies due to the arduous labor and the amount of hours required. Danilo has been very helpful to his colleagues on other dairy farms and instrumental in educating the citizens of Vermont about migrant farm workers.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



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NY Commission expires
February 10, 2015

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April 17, 2011

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To Whom this Concerns:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Peter Knowlton. I am the President of the UE Northeast Region and a Vice-President of the national UE. I live at 778 Dartmouth St., South Dartmouth, MA. I am 58 years old and a husband, father, and grandfather. I was born in Worcester, MA and have lived on and off in Massachusetts my entire life. I have been an elected officer of my union, the UE, since 2001 and previously was employed by the national union as a field representative since 1985. I am an active member of the Community Economic Development Center (CEDC) in New Bedford and have served on the steering committee of the U/Mass Labor Education Center for over 20 years. My work as President of UE Northeast Region means I travel frequently to Vermont to work with and provide support to our local unions in whatever educations, trainings, community activities, or other projects they are involved in.

Founded in 1936 the UE has been led by and made up of immigrants – recent and not so recent. Consequently, the union has since its founding been involved with and supportive of immigrant organizations and issues. Over the last few months, members of UE Local 255 at Hunger Mountain Co-op in Montpelier, VT have been working with the Migrant Justice organization in Vermont to educate UE members and Montpelier, VT residents on the issues VT migrant farm workers, and other recent immigrants, face. As a result of UE Local 255's involvement in this work I have had the opportunity to work closely with Daniel and the Migrant Justice organization. Just this past April 11 Daniel and myself, with others, made a presentation to Local 255 members and the Montpelier community on issues immigrant workers face in VT and the conditions under which they work and live. Daniel's presentation

Dana Woodruff
135 Maple Hill Rd #2
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April 17, 2012

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Dana Woodruff, I live at 135 Maple Hill Rd #2, Plainfield, VT 05667, and I am a US citizen. I am a health educator and member of the Central VT Farmworker Coalition, the VT Farm Health Task Force, Migrant Justice, and I recently completed the VT Farm Health Task Force's Agricultural Medicine training program.

I have known Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago for over a year. We met through the organization Migrant Justice and we have worked together often since then. Danilo is both a friend and colleague. Danilo is a caring and thoughtful community member, as well as an attentive listener. He is very responsible and follows through in his work. His calm and warm personality puts the others around him at ease. He is dedicated to his friends, colleagues, and those in VT's migrant farm worker community. He is very community-minded, giving much of his time and energy to support others and working to raise awareness and make positive changes at the statewide level.

He recently visited my workplace to give a presentation on the connections between workers' rights in the US and in Mexico. He is very well spoken, sharing his personal and family history and connecting it with broader issues here in VT, nationally, and internationally. There was a great turnout at this event, including my co-workers and community members, and many people left feeling both informed and moved by Danilo's presentation.

Danilo contributes very much to the VT community and I believe that he should be granted prosecutorial discretion.

Thank you for your time.

on this day April 18, 2012
The resources of Vermont belong to the people of Vermont. They must be protected that social justice and economic justice and environmental justice are all the same thing destroying our communities are also destroying the natural environment. We understand that the same greedy corporations that are stealing our wealth and Vermonters should receive benefits as well.

Sincerely,
Dana Woodruff
Dana Woodruff

Notary - *Janet Miller*
2-10-15

April 19, 2012

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. My name is Cecile Reuge. I am a graduating senior at the University of Vermont and the honorary recipient of this year's W. A. Haviland Medal for Outstanding Achievement in Anthropology and community involvement. For the past few years I have been highly involved with the Vermont Worker's Center as a volunteer organizer. This past summer, I was the Culinary Intern at the Healthy City Youth Farm and worked as a line cook at Duino Duende Restaurant. I am a dual citizen of the United States and France.

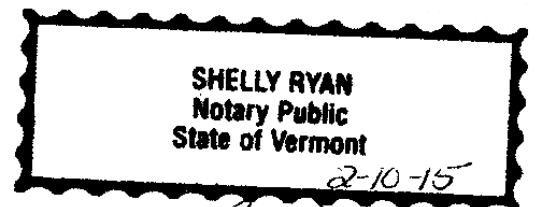
I have known Danilo since November 2011. I have since had the pleasure of watching Danilo flourish as a passionate grassroots leader, organizing his peers and giving them the courage to no longer hide and instead speak out to the many woes of the life of a dairy farm worker in the state of Vermont. Danilo once told me a story about being kicked in the ribs by a cow while milking and waiting 48 hours to receive medical attention due to lack of access to healthcare and transportation. I want to acknowledge that this is wrong for anyone to be treated as such, especially someone who provides such an essential service to the community.

Danilo Lopez is a key player in building unity between these groups. He is a crucial peer advocate and member of the Burlington Community. Please consider my testimony and grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Mr. Lopez.

Sincerely,



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April 16, 2012

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant prosecutorial discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. My name is William (Billy) Peard. I am a current resident of South Royalton, Vermont and a full time student at Vermont Law School. I am a U.S. citizen and a friend of Mr. Lopez.

I have known Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago for about one year. I first met Mr. Lopez because he and I were both volunteers for a small organization based in Vermont called Migrant Justice. In the subsequent months, I talked with Mr. Lopez at several other events related to the work of Migrant Justice. I have seen him speak publicly at several events about his volunteer work to improve the living conditions of Mexican citizens who are living and working on Vermont farms. On a couple occasions, I have also participated in volunteer meetings with Mr. Lopez. In those meetings, Mr. Lopez took on leadership roles. In both contexts, I found Mr. Lopez to be candid and honest. Mr. Lopez is passionate about his volunteer work in Vermont, and he approaches his work with humility and a soft-spoken demeanor. He is not boastful, arrogant, or domineering. Even in stressful situations, I can always expect to see Mr. Lopez wearing a calm smile and to share an encouraging word with his colleagues. I have observed him in many social settings and have discovered that he is universally well-liked among his Mexican compatriots and among his American colleagues.

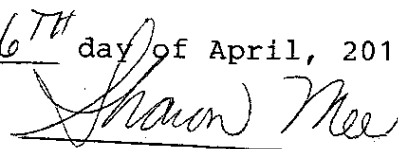
On one occasion, several months ago, I sat down with Mr. Lopez for dinner and got to know him quite well. He and I talked about his former life in Mexico and about how he ended up in Vermont. He is a natural storyteller and has a good sense of humor. I was surprised to learn, after several conversations with Mr. Lopez in Spanish, that in fact he is conversant in English. We would sometimes switch between the two languages during our conversation. When I asked him how he learned English, I was impressed to learn that he had simply picked it up without any formal training in the United States and with only the most basic classroom training during his primary schooling in Mexico.

I have no doubt that Mr. Lopez is and will continue to be a productive member of his community in Vermont. I feel grateful to have had the opportunity to know Mr. Lopez during this past year, and I strongly urge ICE to exercise its prosecutorial discretion in the case of Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

Sincerely,

William Peard

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16TH day of April, 2012.



Notary Public

COMMISSION EXPIRES: 2/10/15

April 12, 2012

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to **Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago**. My name is Megan Sheehan. I am twenty-nine years old, I work at the Vermont Workers' Center as the Media Production Coordinator, I am engaged to Kevin Stewart and own my home in East Randolph, VT. I am a US citizen and a JD student at Vermont Law School, a co-chair of the VLS National Lawyers' Guild chapter, and a Public Service Award scholarship recipient.

I have known Danilo since June 2011, and met Danilo through the Vermont Workers' Center's collaboration with the farmworker community in Vermont. Since meeting Danilo, I have been extremely impressed with his commitment to his community, leadership, and care for others. Danilo is a powerful organizer and leader in Vermont, and many people look up to him. I have seen Danilo work with many farmworkers in Vermont to tell their stories through video projects that have brought many issues to light in the greater Vermont community. **My organization, the Vermont Workers' Center, honored Danilo at our major human rights conference in December 2011 (which drew over 500 people) with our Human Rights Hero Award for his work in Vermont in advancing human rights and his leadership in the farmworker community.** Danilo was also invited to speak at a conference on civil and human rights at Vermont Law School, and made a major impact on many of my classmates. I had law students come up to me for many days after the conference to tell me how moved they were by Danilo's presentation on racial profiling in Vermont and how impressed they were with his work.

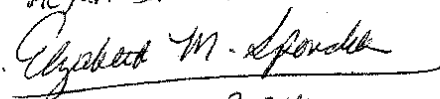
I believe that if Vermont lost Danilo, that it would be a major loss for our community and our state. **I am writing to you to request prosecutorial discretion.** Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely,



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ON this day, APRIL 12, 2012
before me personally appeared
Megan Sheehan.



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My Commission expires 2/10/2015

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April 17, 2012

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Re: Reference for Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago

Dear Madam or Sir:

I write to ask you to give serious, and all due consideration possible, to exercising your prosecutorial discretion with the result being that Mr. Lopez not face removal proceedings. I write in my personal capacity but my knowledge of Mr. Lopez stems solely from my professional role as the executive director and legal counsel for the Vermont Human Rights Commission.

I have been a Vermont resident for over 40 years. I have been admitted to the Vermont bar for 28 years, having served for more than ten years in my present position. Prior to working here at the Commission, I served as Vermont's defender general (chief public defender) for 8.5 years having previously worked in both civil rights enforcement and public defense as both an attorney and an investigator.

I became professionally involved with the issue of undocumented foreign nationals working on dairy farms in Vermont as one of the Commission's enforcement priorities is to combat racial bias in the criminal justice system. I was receiving frequent reports of state and local police detaining dark-skinned individuals solely based on either the officer's or a community member's suspicion that the person was in Vermont without lawful status, and not for violation of any state law or local ordinance.

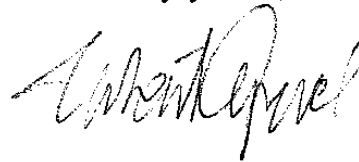
I met Mr. Lopez about 18 months ago through the organization now known as Migrant Justice. I observed Mr. Lopez providing extraordinary leadership to members of his community. This included seeing him speak rationally and calmly to community groups and the public-at-large about the vulnerabilities that workers in Vermont face when lacking legal status. He was part of a contingent

ability for foreign nationals to obtain state-issued identification cards so that law enforcement can be secure in accepting the identities offered by these foreign nationals when they interface with police officers.

In each and every such observation, Mr. Lopez performed admirably receiving the praise and support of those to whom he addressed his comments. He is highly articulate and does not spout inflammatory rhetoric. Rather, he clearly lays out the need for fundamental reform of our immigration system to provide a work permit option for year-round farmers such as milk producers. This reform is necessary to avoid making law breakers out of not only the foreign nationals but also Vermont farmers.

In my opinion, Mr. Lopez is a very gentle and kind soul who presents no risk to public safety. His orientation is to serving not only the migrant and farming community, but the entire Vermont community. Please feel free to contact me at either (802) 595-1254 or rjappel12@yahoo.com should further information be helpful in your important deliberations. Thanks for considering my thoughts on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Appel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "R".

Robert Appel

Naomi Wolcott-MacCausland wolcottmaccausland@yahoo.com 9 Hildred Drive, Burlington VT 05401

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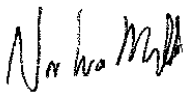
Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. I am a United States citizen living in Burlington, Vermont. I work at UVM Extension as the Coordinator of the Farming Across Cultures Communication Project and the Farm Health Connection, projects focused on agricultural labor management and farm health access respectively. I have known Danilo since the fall of 2011 when we met during an event sponsored by Migrant Justice. Since that time, I have seen him present on a number of occasions, attended various meetings with him, and have heard of his work and contribution to the farmworker community through the farmworkers that I work with on a daily basis. I feel confident that I can testify to Danilo's character and contribution to the Vermont community.

Danilo has demonstrated a consistent and a remarkable commitment to improving the community in which he lives and has worked. His courage and tenacity in expressing, on behalf of the farmworker community, his experience and perspective on farmworker justice issues is notable. I distinctly remember his presentation at the 2012 Latino Ag Labor Roundtable, held at the University of Vermont. He was one of multiple presenters, among them accomplished professors, outreach professionals, the Agency of Agriculture, and the Mexican Consulate. Also present were representatives from the Farm Bureau, the Department of Education, and Vermont's US senators. I was struck by Danilo's poise and passion as well as his ability to articulate precisely the information he wanted to convey. Danilo has become a respected and invaluable member of the Vermont community that is working towards agricultural justice for all.

Witnessing Danilo perform in his volunteer work environment, I was quickly able to ascertain that he is dedicated, dependable, and energizing. He is a man of commitment and strong character with an admirable work ethic. He is the type of person who goes above and beyond to contribute to the betterment of his community. I strongly believe that you should grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions concerning the contents of this letter.

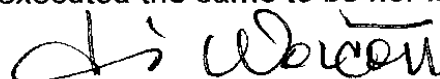
Sincerely,



Naomi Wolcott-MacCausland
(802) 752-6247

STATE OF Vermont
COUNTY OF Franklin

On this 17 day of April, 2012, before me personally appeared Naomi Wolcott-MacCausland to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, and that she thereupon duly acknowledged to me that she executed the same to be her free act and deed.



Jill Charbonneau
17 Elm St.
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April 17th, 2012

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. My name is Jill Charbonneau of 17 Elm Street Middlebury, Vermont. I am a single parent of three adult children. I am lifelong Vermonter. This is my 29th year as a letter carrier with the United States Postal Service. I am also a member of the National Association of Letter Carriers Branch 521. I have served my union in many capacities. I have been a steward for over two decades. I have also served as Vice-President and President of NALC Branch 521. I was Executive Vice President Of the Vermont State Association of Letter Carriers for over a decade. I have served the Vermont State Labor Council AFL-CIO as the Volunteer in Politics, Executive Vice-President and President Emeritus. I have been an activist in the single payer health care movement for two decades.

I met Danilo about a year ago at a community celebration of Medicare's birthday. I was struck by his demeanor. I found him shy, intelligent, and genuinely caring. He is a kind person, one you would like your children to befriend. We are colleagues within the labor community. I have over the course of this year come to understand his dedication to the farm workers of the Champlain Valley. He gives so much of himself to others, which is noteworthy in one so young. It transcends the barriers of language. Danilo is a leader of his peers. He leads by concern, listening skills, and kindness. I note, with interest, whatever pressures Danilo has over this hearing process he cheerfully and good naturedly continues his activism within his labor community. He is dedicated to improving the lives of immigrant farm workers by using his positive thinking and serving as a positive example.

In my line of work, I meet people from all walks of life and of a myriad of dispositions. I see people on their good days and their bad days. I think you would be doing Vermonters a great honor by allowing Danilo to remain in our community. He is an asset to both the migrant workers and to the Vermont communities where they live and work. Their work is desperately needed to get our farm products to market. The migrant workers should be a vibrant and integral part of our communities. Danilo is steadfast in his beliefs and equally important in his actions to support a family of community for our two cultures. I enjoy knowing and working with Danilo. I am sure you will too.

Respectfully,

Jill Charbonneau



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Re: Daniel Alejandro Lopez

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Monica R. Collins and my mailing address is P.O. Box 275, Rochester, VT 05767. My physical address is 2277 VT Route 125, Hancock, VT 05748. I am a paralegal at the above named law firm, and a U.S. citizen born in Connecticut. My parents were immigrants from Lima, Peru.

I am currently involved with the following organizations / associations and community activities: Migrant Justice, Vermont Association for Justice (a plaintiff's attorney organization), the Vermont Bar Association as a paralegal member, the Vermont Paralegal Organization, and volunteer on the budget committee and a library committee in the town of Hancock, VT. I am also active in an arts organization in the town of Rochester, VT.

I have known Danilo for over a year as a colleague with Migrant Justice (formerly known as the Vermont Migrant Farm worker Solidarity Project). I also consider Danilo a friend. When Danilo was detained by the Vermont State Police, this law firm represented him in his complaint to the Vermont Human Rights Commission and I assisted Devin McLaughlin, Esq. in my capacity as a paralegal.

In time I have known Danilo, I have watched him grow to become an eloquent, and committed representative of the migrant farm worker community in Vermont. It takes courage to be in the situation he is in and still work towards bettering the situation of the farm worker community. I have been inspired at how he has turned a bad situation into an opportunity to bring light to a

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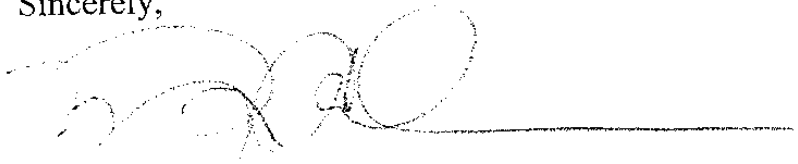
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community so important to the Vermont dairy industry but who live in the shadows. His work has helped Vermont shape a more just bias-free policing policy and has educated students, teachers, community members, legislators and government officials about the migrant community and their lives, dispelling many prejudices.

He is compassionate, good humored, well mannered and a brilliant teacher to all of us who have watched and accompanied him this year, a shining example of an engaged community member, dedicated to public service. We should all strive to stand up for our beliefs and the betterment of our communities in the respectful and law-abiding manner in which Danilo does.

I respectfully urge you to exercise prosecutorial discretion in the case of Daniel Santiago Lopez. Our community is only enhanced by his presence here. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Monica R. Collins
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April 17, 2012

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Dear Sir:

I am writing to you on behalf of Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago (Danilo Lopez). I believe that the work Danilo is doing for the organization called "Migrant Justice" is extremely important to the Hispanic farm worker community and to the many Vermont farmers who employ Hispanic migrant workers, and helps improve our democracy. I respectfully ask that you exercise leniency and decide not to deport Danilo.

My name is Daniel B. Cohen. I am 66 years old, and I have been an educator most of my life. I have taught at Vermont Community College, Lyndon State College, and at the North American Hockey Academy and Mt. Mansfield Ski Academy in Stowe, Vermont. I was the Director of the Greensboro Free Library in my home town of Greensboro for 12 years, and founded and directed the library at the Bishop John A. Marshall School in Morrisville, Vermont (a K-8 Catholic School). For the last 5 years I have been employed as a tutor by the Vermont Department of Education's Migrant Education Program, working with the Hispanic farm worker population in Northeastern Vermont. I currently visit about 20 dairy farms on a weekly basis, visiting about 65-70 Hispanic farm workers. I teach English, translate for farmers and farm workers, help workers access medical, dental, and other social services, obtain appropriate clothing, and fulfill other basic needs.

On April 5, I accompanied Danilo when he and a colleague from Migrant Justice visited some farms in my area, and later addressed faculty, students, and farm workers at Sterling College in Craftsbury, Vermont. I am old enough to remember Cesar Chavez, the heroic organizer of Mexican farm workers a few decades ago. Danilo closely resembles Cesar Chavez. He teaches people; he inspires people; he makes them aware of their own worth and dignity; and he does this without a trace of anger or negativity. Miraculously, people who have previously been passive and silent become more hopeful and find that they have a voice and the courage to speak on their own behalf.

Tomorrow I am travelling to the statehouse in Montpelier, Vermont to attempt to meet with legislators from this region. Five Hispanic farm workers are going with me to participate in this basic exercise in democracy. We will be promoting S-238, a bill which would allow Hispanic migrant farm workers to obtain drivers' licenses. The bill has already passed the Vermont Senate and is supported by the Governor. I am sure that the farm workers accompanying me to dialogue with and inform the legislators who affect their lives would never have even imagined that they could speak to people in power without having listened to Danilo. The peaceful participation of isolated and marginalized people in our democracy can only strengthen this country. Danilo is working and teaching in the tradition of Cesar Chavez and Martin Luther King, Jr., and he should be allowed to stay in this country.

Sincerely,

Daniel B. Cohen

Daniel B. Cohen

STATE OF VERMONT
WINDHAM COUNTY, SS
At Greensboro, this 17th day of April AD, 2012
personally appeared Daniel B. Cohen
and acknowledged this instrument by him sealed and
subscribed to be his free act and
deed. Before me, Daniel B. Cohen Notary Public

Exp. 2/10/2015

Sharyl Green
5 East Village Drive
Burlington VT 05401

April 18, 2012

Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
15 New Sudbury Street
Boston MA 02203

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Sharyl Green. I live in Burlington, VT. I am a United States citizen, born October 24, 1947 in Ohio.

I began my teaching career in New York at age 21 and retired nearly 2 years ago, July 1, 2010, in Jericho, Vermont, where I was a 3rd and 4th grade teacher for 22 years. I am now a trained mentor through Mercy Connections and Vermont Works for Women.

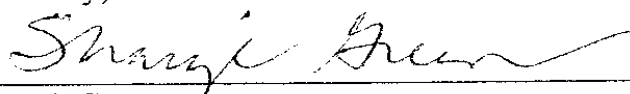
I first became acquainted with Danilo through his inspiring public advocacy in support of racial justice and fair policing practices in Vermont. I was moved by his courage to tell his own story about being racially profiled. He is at once level-headed and compassionate in his support of these issues.

Two years ago I decided I wanted to learn to speak Spanish and asked a friend of Danilo's to help me. Since then I have learned some Spanish, and the three of us have become friends. Meanwhile, he and Danilo have worked together directly with the Governor of Vermont to improve bias-free policing standards.

In March when I was away for two weeks, Danilo stayed at my apartment for several days. It was a big help, and he was a gracious, responsible guest.

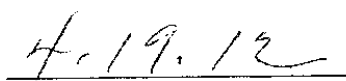
I ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Danilo, a respected member of our Burlington community.

Sincerely,

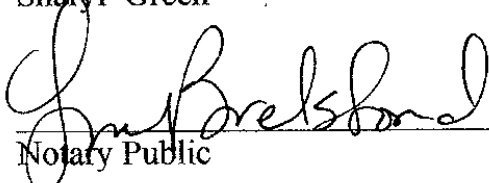


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Notary Public

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STATE OF VERMONT
SENATE CHAMBER

April 13, 2012

Senator Sara B. Kittell
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skittell@leg.state.vt.us

Office of the Chief Counsel Date:
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Danilo Lopez:
Justicia Migrante/Migrant Justice
danilo@migrantjustice.nte
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802-658-6770 (office)

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Sara B. Kittell, I am an elected Vermont State Senator for the past 17 years, chair of the Vermont Senate Agriculture Committee for the past 15 years, also, past chair of the Northeast States Association for Agricultural Stewardship, representing the ten northeast states. I live in an agricultural county with many dairy farm businesses. Vermont has 1000 dairy farms and they provide an important economy for our state.

I met Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago in January 2012 at the Vermont Statehouse as he testified about legislation for migrant farm workers. I have had the opportunity to meet and talk with Danilo a number of times since.

I observe Danilo to be committed to working with the legislators, willing to speak, be patient and listen, with a sincere appearance and respect for all involved in the process. When he has been a witness in the Senate Agriculture Committee he has addressed the issues succinctly, and shared his sense of moral grounding in human rights and responsibility to others as he testified on behalf of the migrant farm workers in Vermont.

I believe that Mr. Lopez should be granted prosecutorial discretion.

Yours truly,



Senator Sara B. Kittell

Today April 13-2012, Sara B. Kittell
Signed before me. State of
VT.

Notary
exp. Janet Miller
2-10-2015

April 17, 2012

Office of the Chief Counsel

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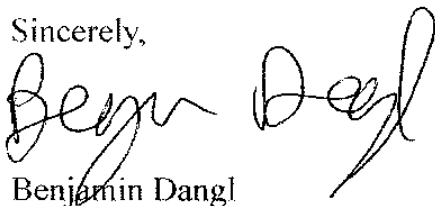
I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Benjamin Dengl, I am 31 years old and live at 69 Marble Avenue in Burlington, Vermont. I am a college teacher, writer, editor, homeowner, United States citizen and was born in the United States. I am the author of two books on Latin American politics, and am now completing my Master's Degree in Latin American history at the University of Vermont. I am a long-time member of the Burlington, VT community and am an active participant in local politics, activism and social causes.

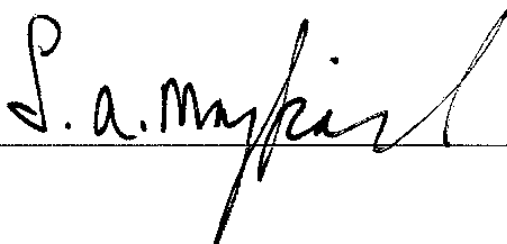
I have known Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago as a friend and fellow community member for more than a year. Danilo has been a guest at my home, friend at our dinner table, speaker on panels I have organized, and colleague in volunteer work through the organization Migrant Justice. From the very first time I met him, Danilo has impressed me with his kindness, sense of humor and excellent cooking skills. He is a very amiable and generous person, with a deep-seated concern for other people's well being. These traits are articulated through his everyday actions, whether among his many friends or within the sphere of his influential work as a social justice leader in Vermont.

Danilo has been a tireless and key leader in the struggle for the rights of migrant farm workers across Vermont. He is very democratic in his leadership, encouraging others to participate actively. As an articulate and informed activist, he has been an important part of the Vermont community, shaping the media and political debate around migrant farm worker issues in Vermont. Overall, Danilo is a wonderful member of our community whose presence and contributions are exactly what is needed to help make our state and nation a better and more inclusive place to live and work. I therefore believe that Danilo should be granted prosecutorial discretion.

Sincerely,



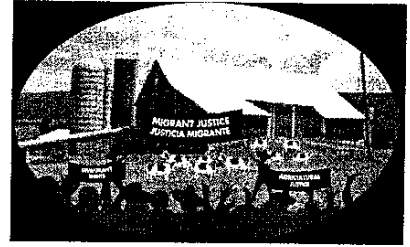
Benjamin Dengl
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Burlington, VT, 05401
Phone: 802-540-2516



Notary, April 17, 2012

Migrant Justice

Justicia Migrante



Natalia Fajardo
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Boston, MA 02203

April 20, 2012

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to request that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. My name is Natalia Fajardo, I am 27 years old, I live in Burlington, VT. I hold a degree in Environmental Sciences from the University of Vermont. I am a dual US-Colombian citizen. I am coordinator at the organization Migrant Justice, which builds leadership in the migrant farmworker community in Vermont.

I first met Mr. Lopez in May 2011 when Migrant Justice invited him to participate in an informational call with the director of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers. I was impressed with his listening skills, attention and proactive participation. In July of that year I had the pleasure to attend the Allied Media Conference in Detroit with Mr. Lopez, where he showed an innate ability to turn the lessons he learned into action by building Migrant Justice's video, newsletter, and radio programs.


Since then, Mr. Lopez has given endless hours volunteering for Migrant Justice in support of his migrant peers. Whether speaking at press conferences, testifying in front of elected officials, or facilitating a meeting, his eloquence, sincerity, and dedication have touched and inspired many in our state to work to address the injustices many farm workers face.

Mr. Lopez and I are now close friends. He has lent me a helping hand in time of need, and his actions have cemented my commitment to support his development as a leader.

Mr. Lopez's volunteerism and dedication have very positive impacts in our Vermont community, and our state and nation would greatly benefit from counting with his leadership for many years to come. Please grant Mr. Lopez Prosecutorial Discretion.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Natalia Fajardo
Coordinator, Migrant Justice
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Migrant Justice

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Brendan O'Neill
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Underhill, VT 05489

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Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
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April 19, 2012

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. My name is Brendan O'Neill and I am US citizen, educator and founder of an organization called Migrant Justice in Vermont.

I first met "Danilo" in the fall of 2009 when I was an English as a Second Language Teacher with the Vermont Migrant Education Program. Danilo was always punctual, prepared, and engaged. He went out of his way to make other students in the class feel comfortable and relaxed. He was respectful, articulate, and thoughtful.

On December 22nd, 2009 after months of working closely with Danilo our English class was interrupted with heart breaking news. One of Danilo's fellow students, Samuel, received a phone call that his cousin, José Obeth Santis Cruz, was killed in a Vermont farming accident. Though Danilo did not know José personally he sprung into immediate action showing both compassion and strong leadership. He helped organize a collection amongst the migrant community in order to help return the young worker's body home to his family in Chiapas, Mexico. This death and community response in Vermont by leaders such as Danilo inspired a community building project that led to a new organization now called Migrant Justice. I am proud to say that I have known Danilo for nearly three years and each year I've only grown more impressed with him as a friend and human being.

In August 2011 Danilo helped lead a farm worker delegation to meet with Vermont Governor Shumlin to express concern about federal immigration policies that were blurring lines between police and immigration agents and causing widespread fear for Vermont's communities of color to access local and state police when they were victims or witnesses of crime. Ironically, just weeks later Danilo was traveling as a passenger in a vehicle on Interstate 89 in Vermont that was pulled over by State Police for speeding. Upon seeing the brown skinned individuals the Trooper shifted his attention from the traffic violation to a series of inappropriate questions of the passengers including asking them about their immigration status. The Trooper was in clear violation of the State Police's own Bias-Free-Policing Policy and Danilo was fully aware of this and notified Migrant Justice.

Migrant Justice responded with a community support campaign reaching out to VT Governor Shumlin calling for an investigation. Weeks later Danilo helped lead a farm worker delegation to meet with the Governor and call for a strengthened and clarified policy leading the Governor and State Police to create a new and improved policy that will benefit all communities of color in Vermont. Then, the VT Human Rights Commission ruled that Danilo was in fact discriminated against. Soon after, Danilo was recognized in a huge conference at the University of Vermont as the 2011 VT Human Rights Hero.

Danilo has a way of bringing out the best in all those who have the privilege to get to know him. Vermont is a better place thanks to Danilo. I urge you to please grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel "Danilo" Alejandro Lopez.

Sincerely,


Brendan O'Neill
Co-Coordinator, Migrant Justice

April 12, 2012

246 Lynrick Acres
Charlotte, VT 05445

Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
15 New Sudbury Street
Boston, MA 02203

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing concerning Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. I am a resident of Charlotte, Vermont, and a middle school social studies teacher. Currently I am staying at home to care for my two young daughters. I am the Secretary of the Vermont Alliance for the Social Studies and a Deacon of the Charlotte Congregational Church.

I first met Danilo at a Spanish church service held at the Charlotte Congregational Church in January 2011. Since that time, as a fellow resident of Charlotte, I have had occasion to provide him with transportation. I have been in attendance at several meetings of the advocacy organization Migrant Justice where Danilo has played a leadership role.

When I first drove Danilo to a Migrant Justice meeting I was immediately put at ease, despite my lack of Spanish fluency, by his gentle personality and ease of humor. Not to mention his good command of English. At the meeting Danilo spoke, somewhat hesitantly, to a group of thirty volunteers about his work in establishing better communication between farm workers. This work would enable workers to help each other with issues arising in their isolated lives, including gaining access to basic services and handling workplace abuses.

The next time I heard Danilo speak was at a meeting some months later, and this time he was speaking to other farm workers. For many migrant farm workers, these once-a-month meetings are the one opportunity they have to leave their farms and socialize with others. They are also an opportunity to discuss any difficulties they may be having and potential solutions. At this meeting, Danilo was speaking from a place of more confidence and strong leadership. His attitude of hope and belief in positive change, as a farm worker himself, was clearly something his fellow farm workers needed to hear.

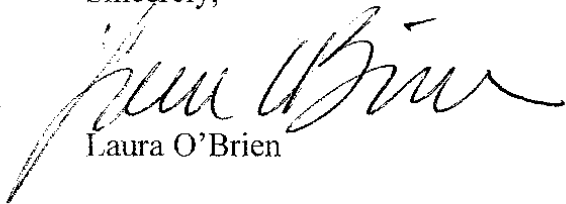
Danilo's presence in Vermont has changed the nature of the discussion around the issues facing migrant farm workers in our state. His willingness to testify before the Vermont Legislature and to speak to the press has given Vermonters an insight into the hidden world which is helping to sustain Vermont's dairy industry.

The last time I gave Danilo a ride was from a bus stop in Charlotte to his home, only three miles away. At the end of the ride he asked how much money he should pay me. I declined

any compensation, and this is a fine example of who Danilo is. He is not looking for the easy, free way. He is looking to contribute. He is looking to continue his work so that the human rights of all people living in Vermont are recognized – important work that needs to be done.

I respectfully request that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

Sincerely,



Laura O'Brien

Carrie Spear
Comm Exp. 2/2/13



VERMONT FENCES

April 20, 2012

Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
15 New Sudbury Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02203

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant "prosecutorial discretion" to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. I am the Administrator/CEO of Vermont Farm Bureau, Inc. at 117 West Main Street in Richmond, Vermont. As Administrator, I am an active Lobbyist in the Vermont Legislature, lobbying on all matters agricultural. I have been a Farm Bureau employee for more than thirty years, and have served in a variety of community positions including Chairman/Selectman in two Communities (Middlebury and Addison, Vermont) for more than 25 years. In addition, I am the Chairman Elect of the Addison County Chamber of Commerce where my term begins in September 2012.

I have been working with Daniel on several projects for the past two years including the current drive in the Vermont Legislature to get drivers licenses for migrant farm workers and efforts to recognize the importance of these workers to Vermont agriculture, especially the dairy industry. Daniel has been a gentleman, articulating our position with great care, and presenting himself and those he represents in the best light. I admire him for his tenacity, speaking ability, warm and caring nature and intelligence. I sincerely believe that Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago should be granted prosecutorial discretion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tim Buskey
Vermont Farm Bureau
117 West Main Street
Richmond, Vermont 05477
(802) 434-5646



STATE OF VERMONT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 17, 2012

Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
15 New Sudbury Street
Boston, MA 02203

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago and to express my deep conviction that he is a valuable, contributing member of our Vermont community.

My name is Kesha Ram, and I live at 31 North Prospect Street in Burlington, Vermont with my partner, Oliver. I was born in Santa Monica, California to a mother born in Chicago and a father who immigrated to the United States from India. I moved to Vermont eight years ago and am a Vermont State Representative, proudly serving the citizens of Chittenden District 3-4 in my second term. I now sit on the Ways and Means Committee. When not in session, I coordinate the legal program for Chittenden County's domestic violence agency and serve on numerous boards and advisory groups in the state – the University of Vermont, the Center for Whole Communities, the Sudan Development Foundation, and more.

I have known Danilo for over a year now as an active member of the Vermont Workers' Center, an organization that many of my friends and constituents access for support and building community. He has been one of the leaders of the migrant farmworker community here in Vermont, without whom we would not be able to support our already struggling farms. He has been collaborative and courteous in a quiet, thoughtful way, always seeking to work with Vermont residents and farmers to create meaningful, constructive solutions for the plight of farmworkers.

I recognize that in the large, chaotic, and – in my view – unsustainable federal immigration system, someone like Danilo is just a number and a case file. But to many people in Vermont, he is a hero and a friend. He is a human being who works hard, who abides by our laws, and who has a welcomed place in our community. You would not only be punishing Danilo by removing him from his workplace and domicile, you would be punishing his neighbors, colleagues, and friends.

It is with all of this taken into account that I submit to you that Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago is an upstanding, diligent, giving, kind person who is valued and recognized in the State of Vermont accordingly. I believe without reservation that he should be granted prosecutorial discretion and allowed to remain here.


Sincerely,



Hon. Kesha K. Ram

Burlington, Chittenden 3-4

Notary: Alison Clarkson



Alison Clarkson
Notary
Windsor County
Woodstock

19 April 12 2017
Date Exp.

April 15, 2012

Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
15 New Sudbury Street
Boston, MA 02203

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Martha Caswell, I live at 125 North Champlain Street in Burlington, Vermont with my husband, Seth Wolcott-MacCausland and son Jasper Caswell-MacCausland. All three of us are citizens of the United States. After years of working in the nonprofit sector, I am currently working as an independent contractor – serving as a research assistant at the University of Vermont, helping out on Seth's family farm and volunteering significant time for two organizations (Migrant Justice/Justicia Migrante - an organization focused on organizing farm workers and engaging Vermonters to build more socially and economically just farming communities and food systems, and Food 4 Farmers – a nonprofit whose mission is to facilitate the implementation of sustainable food security programs in coffee-growing communities).

This letter is hard for me to write, since I am struggling for appropriate words to express my deep appreciation for Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago (Danilo) and convey to you how utterly impressed I have been by him in the past year as we have worked together and become friends.

I first met Danilo in the summer of 2011, when he became more involved in Migrant Justice. From the beginning, Danilo has added something special to the organization. He has a willingness to jump in and an eagerness to contribute that meets a critical need in our small organization. Early on it was clear that Danilo brings great communication skills in many mediums, and has led Migrant Justice to more effective community outreach – through videos he has produced, newsletters compiled and written by farm workers that he co-edited, and through the many presentations he has made throughout Vermont in recent months (with audiences including Peter Shumlin, the Governor of Vermont; members of the Vermont State Senate and House of Representatives, churches, universities, and several conferences).

Danilo is generous in sharing his story so that others better understand the situation of farm workers living in Vermont. Ours is a state that relies on these workers to maintain our dairy industry. They are a population, albeit hidden, that is critical to the health and maintenance of Vermont's economy. Undocumented workers are already at times exploited and often live hidden away from the rest of the state. They are often subjected to racial profiling because they are "different" in a majority white, rural state. Even Governor Shumlin said that our policy has been to "look the other way." Unfortunately this neither serves the individuals who are caught in the middle of this situation nor furthers the goal of

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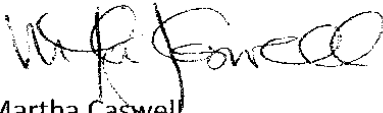
resolving this need with an appropriate policy shift that would provide legal status for the workers who are currently undocumented. By going out into communities and talking about his experience, Danilo is furthering a dialogue that is badly needed and long overdue.

Because of the hours we have spent together in the past months, Danilo has become "uncle Danilo" to my son Jasper. The tenderness and care he shows to Jasper is incredible. It is this side of Danilo – the yin to the yang of his passion for speaking out and pursuing justice - that softens him. This is the quiet side, when he isn't responsible for representing a whole population of people - for speaking as the voice of farm workers in Vermont - when he can smile, relax, and just be Danilo.

Danilo is contributing to our community in tangible and profound ways. Through his leadership within the community of migrant workers in Vermont, Danilo is building bridges among workers, farmers, service providers, law enforcement, state officials and allies - engendering a sense of hope and dedication toward addressing this complicated situation.

With my whole heart and no hesitation I believe that Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago should be granted prosecutorial discretion.

Sincerely,



Martha Caswell
125 North Champlain Street
Burlington, Vermont 05401

State of VERMONT

County of FRAZER

On this 15th day of April, 2017 before me personally appeared MARTHA CASWELL to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, and she thereupon duly acknowledged to me that she executed the same to be her free act and deed.

As Witness

To: Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
15 New Sudbury Street
Boston, MA 02203

Dear Sir or Madam:

"I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago."

My name is Pedro Salas, a USA citizen

Teacher, and beekeeper and Fish Biology; working in USA the last 25 years,

I know Daniel for several months now, as a Student and a friend, he show respect for people.

I believe can be a good sample of human been, because he care for his friends and family and for any who need his help.

I believe that I (Mr. Lopez) should be granted prosecutorial discretion.

Pedro Salas

A large, stylized handwritten signature of Pedro Salas in black ink.

Pedro Salas is known to me and signed in my presence on 4/16/12 at Bristol, Vermont.

Annelise White, Notary Public
/ State of Vermont

Vermont Immigration and Asylum Advocates

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Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Michele Jenness. I am the executive director of Vermont Immigration and Asylum Advocates (VIAA) which is located at 241 N. Winooski Ave., Burlington, Vermont. VIAA is one of the only organizations in Vermont that is focused on meeting the legal needs of indigent asylum seekers, torture survivors and immigrants.

I learned about Mr. Lopez's arrest on the day that it occurred, September 13, 2011. The initial stop was made by Vermont State Police for a traffic violation and the two passengers, Mr. Lopez and Mr. Jose Antonio Meza Sandoval were then questioned by the State Police as to their immigration status. When local and state law enforcement ask those who look like immigrants about their immigration status, it raises serious civil rights concerns. It can lead to racial profiling and divisive community policing practices.

Since last September, I have been fortunate to attend many forums where Mr. Lopez was a presenter. The Second Vermont Latino Agricultural Labor Roundtable, 'Mexico/U.S. Border Dynamic', a mobile Mexican consulate held in Middlebury, Vermont are some of the forums where Mr. Lopez spoke eloquently about the plight of the migrant laborers in Vermont and the legal reforms needed to improve their lives. Mr. Lopez is also an accomplished videographer and his short films which deal with civil rights are a wonderful tool to engage more people in these issues.

It is my firm belief that Mr. Lopez is an invaluable asset to this community; that he raises the level of public discourse on issues of human rights and racial justice and that he works hard to find legal avenues which would improve the lives of immigrants in the U.S.

Therefore, I kindly request from the Chief Counsel that Mr. Lopez be granted prosecutorial discretion in these removal proceedings.

Thank you,

Michele Jenness



The University of Vermont

Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
15 New Sudbury Street
Boston, MA 02203

April 16, 2012

Dear Chief Counsel Officer:

My name is Philip Baruth, and I'm a Vermont State Senator representing Chittenden County, as well as a Professor of English at the University of Vermont in Burlington. It is my understanding that Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago has applied to you for prosecutorial discretion in his pending immigration case. This letter is sent on his behalf, and by way of summary let me say that over the last six months I have come to think of Danilo as one of the most honorable and admirable young men I know. It is my hope that you will permit him to stay in the United States for as long as that is his wish.

Far from being a threat of any sort to our greater community here in Vermont, Danilo has selflessly dedicated himself to mitigating the sometimes harsh conditions experienced by his countrymen while working on dairy farms here in the US, and that effort deserves our thanks and recognition. Let me explain more specifically.

Some five months ago, Danilo and others from the organization Migrant Justice approached the Senate Agriculture Committee, upon which I currently sit, to discuss a bill then being drafted – S.238, which would address the working conditions for dairy workers from Mexico and Guatemala, many of whom labor on isolated Vermont farms, often without access to proper medical care and the necessities of daily life. And so over the course of several months, we took testimony from Danilo and others, and worked closely with them to craft a bill that would pass Federal muster, assuage the fears of a sometimes skeptical public, yet also substantially improve the lives of young men and women who typically work 10-12 hour days.

During those months, I watched Danilo very closely, and found him to be impressively intelligent, self-effacing, and extremely hard-working. He has become a one-man liaison between his countrymen and the growing number of Vermonters who would like to make their working conditions more humane; in his handling of this role, he has shown both maturity and an enviable evenness of temper.


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I know I speak for the other Senators on Senate Agriculture when I say the following: Danilo is a very special individual, a gifted young man who – because of chance and circumstance – has become a natural leader for many others. I ask you to exercise your prosecutorial discretion in this case because Danilo has deserved that discretion through his personal conduct, but also because solving our intractable immigration problems will require skilled young leaders on both sides of the debate, and Danilo represents precisely that sort of judicious, sympathetic and level-headed leadership. We sorely need him here in Vermont, every bit as much as he needs your intervention to remain.

Thank you for your consideration. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you need any further information – Danilo's case is of very special concern to me, and if I can strengthen it in any way – including sponsoring him personally in his attempts to secure a place here in the US – I will do so wholeheartedly.

Yours sincerely, 

Senator Philip Baruth,
Representing Chittenden County, Vermont

PATRICIA (PATSY) JAMIESON
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April 16, 2012

Office of the Chief Counsel
Prosecutorial Discretion Unit
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
15 New Sudbury Street
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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Danilo Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

I am a resident of Burlington, Vermont and a citizen of the United States. I am a Food Stylist for *EatingWell* magazine and the Recipe Editor for *Tufts University Health & Nutrition Letter*.

I met Danilo when I began volunteering with the Burlington, Vermont-based organization Migrant Justice 9 months ago. In my work with Migrant Justice I have had the opportunity to get to know Danilo. I have been thoroughly impressed with his leadership skills and commitment to the community. Danilo is a hard-working, intelligent young man, who works tirelessly to help others. He is a true asset to our community.

I believe that Danilo Lopez should be granted prosecutorial discretion. Thank you for your consideration.


Sincerely,



Patricia Jamieson

STATE OF VERMONT
COUNTY OF CHITTENDEN

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before
me this 17th day of APRIL, 2012, by PATRICIA JAMIESON

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Notary Public's Signature Patricia Jamieson
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2/10/15

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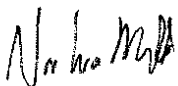
Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. I am a United States citizen living in Burlington, Vermont. I work at UVM Extension as the Coordinator of the Farming Across Cultures Communication Project and the Farm Health Connection, projects focused on agricultural labor management and farm health access respectively. I have known Danilo since the fall of 2011 when we met during an event sponsored by Migrant Justice. Since that time, I have seen him present on a number of occasions, attended various meetings with him, and have heard of his work and contribution to the farmworker community through the farmworkers that I work with on a daily basis. I feel confident that I can testify to Danilo's character and contribution to the Vermont community.

Danilo has demonstrated a consistent and a remarkable commitment to improving the community in which he lives and has worked. His courage and tenacity in expressing, on behalf of the farmworker community, his experience and perspective on farmworker justice issues is notable. I distinctly remember his presentation at the 2012 Latino Ag Labor Roundtable, held at the University of Vermont. He was one of multiple presenters, among them accomplished professors, outreach professionals, the Agency of Agriculture, and the Mexican Consulate. Also present were representatives from the Farm Bureau, the Department of Education, and Vermont's US senators. I was struck by Danilo's poise and passion as well as his ability to articulate precisely the information he wanted to convey. Danilo has become a respected and invaluable member of the Vermont community that is working towards agricultural justice for all.

Witnessing Danilo perform in his volunteer work environment, I was quickly able to ascertain that he is dedicated, dependable, and energizing. He is a man of commitment and strong character with an admirable work ethic. He is the type of person who goes above and beyond to contribute to the betterment of his community. I strongly believe that you should grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions concerning the contents of this letter.

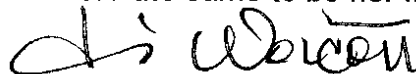
Sincerely,



Naomi Wolcott-MacCausland
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STATE OF Vermont
COUNTY OF Franklin

On this 17 day of April, 2012, before me personally appeared Naomi Wolcott-MacCausland to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, and that she thereupon duly acknowledged to me that she executed the same to be her free act and deed.





DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
AND APPLIED ECONOMICS

April 13, 2012

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Dear Office of Chief Counsel,

I am writing in support of Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago's application for Prosecutorial Discretion to permit him to remain in the United States. I am a US citizen living in Starksboro, Vermont. As an Assistant Professor of Community and International Development I have had a research focus on agricultural labor issues for the past seven years. One of the key issues for Vermont's dairy industry has been learning about the issues and perspectives of our new Mexican labor force. There have been few Mexican farmworkers willing and able to articulate the viewpoint of this workforce, and Daniel Lopez has been among those advancing the dialogue and helping bridge communications between Latino workers, dairy farmers and policy makers.

Over the past year I have had the opportunity to meet Daniel Lopez a number of times and know him through his public work on agricultural labor issues in Vermont. He participated at a statewide meeting we organized at the University of Vermont this past February on the changing dairy labor force in Vermont, and I have heard him testify to Vermont legislators at our Statehouse. In all of these settings I have been impressed with Daniel's preparation, passion and ability to communicate the viewpoint of Latino workers to a wider audience. His work has helped improve communication between our dairy farmers and workers, and create an environment of positive, progressive thinking on the changes within the dairy industry. In addition, Daniel Lopez has helped Vermonters understand and think about the changes that have been underway in Mexico that are part of the cycle of migration.

I hope that the Chief Counsel will agree that Daniel Lopez has made a positive contribution during his time here. I am writing to ask Chief Counsel to exercise Prosecutorial Discretion in his case.

I would be happy to answer any questions you may have about this recommendation.

Sincerely,

Daniel Baker Ph.D.

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing in order
to ask that you grant Pro-
secutorial Discretion to
Daniel Alejandro Lopez
Santiago.

My name is John
MacLean, and I live at
46 Sherman Street #2,
Burlington, VT, 05401.
I am a 100% disabled
American veteran, served
in Lebanon in 1973, and
have done volunteer work
with the Vermont Workers'
Center and Migrant Justice.

I have known Danilo
for well over a year now,
and have hosted him at
my apartment for weeks
at a time. He is a trust-
worthy and kind young
man, and I have heard him
speak with everyone from

Flood victims, in the state,
to Senator Bernie Sanders,
Warilo, and others at Migrant
Justice, have helped Vermont-
ers to hear the voices of
migrant workers who help
run the states dairy farms.

I want to ask you
to please grant prosecutorial
discretion in the case of
Daniel Alejandro Lopez
Santiago.

John Maclean
July 17, 2012

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April 16, 2012

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Joshua Lanney. I am twenty-one years of age, not married, and was born and raised in Concord, New Hampshire where my parents still reside. I was born and remain a United States citizen. I have lived in the United States with the exception of one month in 2010 when I lived in Cuenca, Ecuador, and a further six months in 2010 when I lived and studied in Santiago, Chile. Since 2008 I have been studying Music, Spanish, and Geography at Saint Michael's College just outside of Burlington, Vermont. I will graduate in May with magna cum laude and thesis honors. My current address should I need to be reached is:

Joshua Lanney
1 Winooski Park
SMC Box #2963
Colchester, VT 05439

I am currently working for Saint Michael's College as an academic peer tutor in a variety of Music, Spanish, and Geography courses. I also teach private piano lessons. I left my job at Enterprise Rent-a-Car last autumn to devote more time to my studies, but may return to work with Enterprise in May.

In 2011 I co-founded a student organization at Saint Michael's college in collaboration with the University of Vermont. The organization is called Juntos (Spanish for "together"), and initially began at Middlebury College. We work to teach English to migrant workers in Vermont. We work in collaboration with the organizations Migrant Justice and Migrant Education. We provide transportation for these migrant workers (to the grocery store, community meals, church, etc.) and work to educate the community about the realities of migrant labor. I have been coordinating Juntos since its inception in Summer 2011. I met Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago through my involvement with Juntos and Migrant Justice, for whom I am currently an intern.

about the problems of immigration policy, law, and reform both federally and locally. I remember learning much and being taken aback by how knowledgeable and informed he was. Throughout last autumn I interacted and worked with him on a weekly or biweekly basis. This increased when he began working full time at Migrant Justice. Danilo proved an invaluable resource for my senior thesis, and some of his interview provided one of my strongest thesis arguments. I would now consider Danilo a hard-working colleague, valuable resource, and a good and loyal friend.

Danilo has become an integral part of the community here in Vermont. He has a phenomenal work ethic, and is very generous with his help and time. I have never heard of someone asking him for either help or time and having him refuse – no matter when or how long of a commitment it may be. In this way, Danilo has completely invested himself in a variety of causes. It is for this reason that his remaining in Vermont is so important – Danilo is the driving factor behind so many great things in the community.

For example, he is leading Migrant Justice in their fight for the state bill S-238 in the state house. He gives regular presentations at schools, libraries, rallies, and other events. He creates, mixes, and edits inspiring and informative videos. He volunteers his time selflessly. He is an adamant advocate and defender human rights for all.

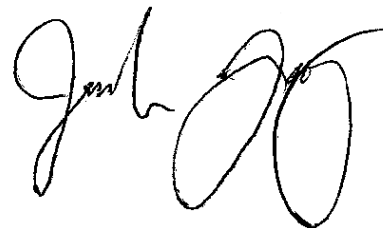
On top of all of this, Danilo has been learning English and studying to achieve his GED. After one testimony to the Senate Agricultural Committee in the Vermont State House in Montpelier, one senator told Danilo that he was beyond impressed with him. He was stunned when he learned that Danilo had never attended college, and was so impressed with his intelligence and drive that he urged him to return to education at some point regardless of the cost because of his incredible potential.

Fortunately for the community in Vermont (and perhaps unfortunately for Danilo), his return to education must wait a little longer. He is too deeply invested and embedded in what is going on here in Vermont to leave yet. The hole left by his departure would be too big to fill.

Due to the aforementioned, I would like to clearly state for the ICE attorney, that I believe that Mr. Lopez should be granted prosecutorial discretion in this case. It is a shame that racial profiling led to his detention in the first place. It would be a bigger shame if his deportation occurred at a time when his presence and hard work was still needed in Vermont.

Sincerely,

Joshua Lanney

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joshua Lanney', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.



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Re: Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago's request for Prosecutorial Discretion.

I had the privilege of representing Danilo before the Vermont Human Rights Commission on the question of whether his September 19, 2011 detention violated the Vermont Public Accommodations Act. Having reviewed the video of the traffic stop, it is clear to me that the only reason Trooper Hatch extensively questioned and ultimately detained Danilo was because of the color of his skin. In my opinion, this violated the United States Constitution and the Vermont statute. See, e.g., Farm Labor Organizing Comm'n v. Ohio State Hwy Patrol, 308 F.3d 523, 532-33 (6th Cir. 2002)(equal protection violation if targeted for questioning based solely on Hispanic appearance). The Human Rights Commission agreed, finding probable cause that Danilo's stop and detention were illegal.

Beyond the success with the Human Rights Commission, what I wanted to highlight was my personal interaction with Danilo. He was a very thoughtful and polite client. He was impressive in explaining in forceful yet respectful language the indignities of the illegal stop to everyone at the hearing, including to members of the State Police and the Attorney General's office. I can confirm that to Danilo, his pursuit of justice had little to do with himself, but rather how he could help improve things for others who are similarly situated. Thankfully, in large part due to Danilo's efforts, the State of Vermont has started the process of adopting better guidelines on how to deal with immigration issues in future traffic stops.

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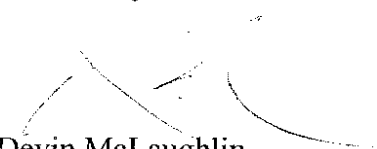
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I would ask that you please consider all this remarkable young man has done, and the courteous and law-abiding manner in which he has done it, and exercise prosecutorial discretion in Danilo's favor. Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

Yours truly,



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April 12, 2012

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

I am the chairman of the Peace, Justice and Integrity of Creation Committee of the Vermont Ecumenical Council and Bible Society (VEC), consisting of a majority of the major Christian denominations in Vermont. We have just completed an extensive review of the status of migrant farm workers in Vermont, both documented and undocumented, in preparation of a statement which will be promulgated throughout the state. I am writing as an individual and not as a member of VEC or the committee.

As part of our review we interviewed many people to learn more about the reasons why people leave their homes to migrate to Vermont and work on our farms and orchards, their status and living conditions and the response of Vermont law enforcement to their presence in the state.

The people we interviewed included the Consul General of Mexico Daniel Hernandez Joseph, Colonel Thomas J. L'Esperance, head of the Vermont State Police, Dr. Susannah McCandliss, Department of Geography, University of Vermont, an expert on migrant workers in Vermont, and Danilo Alejandro Lopez Santiago, accompanied by Brendan O'Neil, co-founder of Vermont-based Migrant Justice.

I and the other members of our committee were struck by the presentation made by Danilo Lopez. His story of the reasons why he and so many Mexican men and women leave their communities to seek work to support their families in Mexico was very compelling. Also Danilo's recounting of how these workers, so important to Vermont agriculture, must live in the shadows of our society riveted the sympathetic attention of the ministers, priest and deacons on the committee.

But the most impressive aspect of the committee's discussion with Danilo was the man himself. Danilo showed himself to be a man of deep integrity, honesty, modesty and ethics. He told his story without artifice, in a straight-forward manner. He did not blame anyone for his situation

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and spoke sympathetically of those who have been less than kind to him and his fellow workers. He described with pride the family he had to leave behind. While displaying sadness at missing them, Danilo did not dwell on this nor try manipulate our feelings. He expressed deep appreciation for the work of Migrant Justice and the scores of Vermonters who have been advocates for just treatment of migrants in the state.

He described himself as not being a religious person but someone who respected religion. Saying this to a committee, the majority of whom are ordained clergy, indicated to us that he was not there to curry our favor or sympathy but to talk about real issues in a truthful way.

We were also impressed by his obvious intelligence and his understanding of the confused nature of U.S. immigration law. His soft spoken manner belies a deep passion for just treatment of people who keep our farms economically viable, help maintain the state’s rural economy and yet live in fear of arrest and deportation.

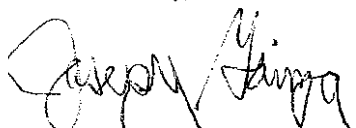
I have had the opportunity to hear Danilo speak to state legislators at the Vermont State House. He remains respectful and open while providing the law makers with fact-based testimony. He does not plead for special treatment, only justice. The legislators are clearly impressed with him as was Vermont Governor Peter Shumlin when Danilo and others met with him.

Danilo is an asset to Vermont and the people who work with him. He asks nothing more than the opportunity to earn and send money to his family in Mexico so that they can build a better future. I would be proud to have him as my son.

Please grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

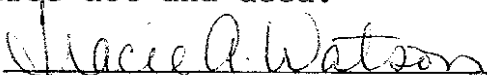
I would be happy to respond to any questions and would be willing to travel to Boston to do so.

Yours truly,


Joseph Gainza

STATE OF VERMONT
WASHINGTON COUNTY, ss.

At Montpelier, in said County, on this 13th day of April, 201~~a~~, personally appeared Joseph Gainza, and he acknowledged this instrument by him signed and sealed, to be his free act and deed.

Before Me 
Tracie A. Watson, Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 2/10/15

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago.

My name is Daniel Loehr and I am writing on behalf of Juntos Migrant Outreach, a student organization at Middlebury College, in Middlebury, VT. I am a US citizen and a junior at Middlebury College. The organization Juntos Migrant Outreach has been in existence for 6 years, and our mission is to provide services for migrant farm workers in the surrounding area through English as a Second Language classes and community events. We are the College's largest student volunteer organization and I serve on the advisory board for the organization.

I have known Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago (Danilo) for eight months as a friend and colleague. I first met Danilo when he came to Middlebury College to give a lecture, which was well attended and well received. Danilo was so good, in fact, that we brought him back the next week because there was a lot of student demand. Since then, I have worked with Danilo in providing for a monthly community gathering. While Danilo does most of the work for this, I have helped locate a room and provide logistical support from the College.

Danilo has always impressed me with his character. He has been such a great leader and colleague because he is kind, modest, and always interested in finding inclusive ways to help many people. Danilo has always been very kind to me. Also, Danilo is well known around the state as a humble and inspirational leader. This is because he has accomplished so much, by organizing many events, and getting lots of people together to share their perspectives and try to find solutions.

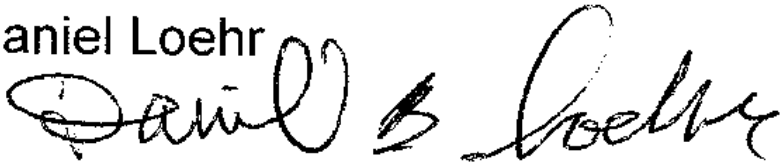
I believe that Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago should be granted prosecutorial discretion.

On behalf of Juntos Migrant Outreach, I thank you for your time.

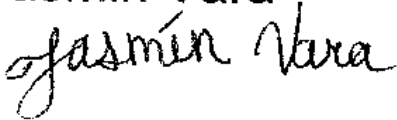
Sincerely,

The Juntos Migrant Outreach Advisory Board

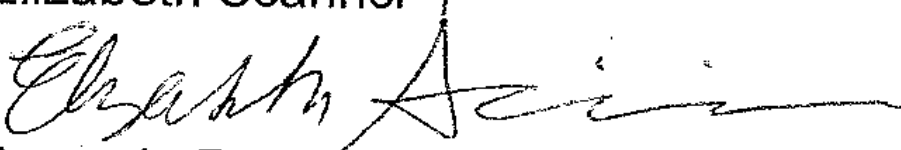
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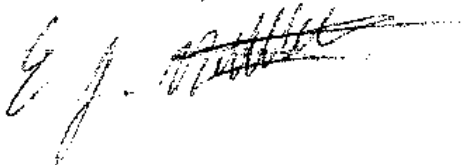
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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in order to ask that you grant Prosecutorial Discretion to Daniel Alejandro Lopez Santiago. He is a well respected member of our community and should not be deported to Mexico. My name is Andalusia Soloff and I am a radio producer and part of a national radio network Medios Caminantes. It is through this network that I met Daniel Lopez in June 2011.

He has been a very active member of the network, using radio and videos to promote human rights for farmworkers, immigrants and US citizens. I have great respect for the work that he has done with our network and continues to do. He is extremely invested in his community and continually acts to better not just his own situation, but humanity as a whole. He is very responsible and incredibly respectful of his colleagues. Whenever we have planned national internet radio broadcasts he has always participated in the planning and the actual broadcast.

I also work at the non-profit immigrant organization Families for Freedom in New York City and have seen how deportations have torn apart many families. Daniel Lopez does not pose any threat to the community and should be allowed to stay with his community here in the United States.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andalusia Soloff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Andalusia Soloff