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Meeting
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 with
Congressman Kenny Marchant
Farmers Branch Recreation Center
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Congressman Kenny Marchant was sworn in on January 4, 2005, as the Representative for the 24th District of Texas after serving nine terms as a Texas State Representative. During that time he served as Chairman of the Texas House Committee in Financial Institutions, Chairman of the House State Affairs Committee, and Chairman of the Texas House Republican Caucus.

Congressman Marchant currently serves on the House Financial Services Committee, Education and Labor Committee and the Oversight and Government Reform Committee and has gained recognition for his work on tax reform and spurring economic growth.

Marchant has been recognized by the Family Research Council as a “True Blue Member of Congress” for his unwavering commitment to strong family values and was named one of the 2007 “Best and Brightest” Members of Congress by the American Conservative Union.

During the short time that Congressman Marchant has been in the House, his overall immigration report card is a B+. He is a member of the Congressional Immigration Reform Caucus. He was instrumental in getting Carrollton, TX accepted into the 287(g) program. Carrollton now joins with Farmer Branch in receiving approval from ICE.

Plan to attend!

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 in making a difference! Renew or Join!**

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Petition Drive Continues

The response to the petition drive that is the project of the Ft. Worth chapter of CFIR has been very positive. In my own experience, I have had one person tell me he wouldn't sign it because he believed in open borders and another person who just turned up her nose and walked away from me at a convention I attended. Other than that, I have been very pleasantly surprised at the willingness of people to sign.

It is necessary that we continue to gather signatures. We must be go to Austin in 2009 and proudly hand our legislators stacks of petitions.

For those of you who are not able to sign our petition because you are not on email, can't access our website, or attend the meetings, please call our voice mail at 214.261.5373 and leave your name and mailing address, so that the petition can be sent to you.

The petition reads:

We, the undersigned, are citizens of the great state of Texas and respectfully call upon our elected officials at every level of government to take all necessary and appropriate actions to secure our international borders and to deal with the burgeoning numbers of illegal aliens within Texas. These measures are necessary to ensure the safety and health, both physical and economic, of current and future Texans.

The mailing instructions are at the top of the petition. Do not hesitate to send a petition in with just one or two signatures. However, it is hoped that you will reach out to your family and friends and help us get as many signatures as possible.

Do your part!

Jean Towell, President

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Operation Jumpstart Ends

Brownsville Herald - edited



The Texas National Guard ended a two year border security mission the week of July 13, 2008.

Dubbed "Operation Jumpstart," the president's plan positioned 3,000 troops in South Texas, where they worked in support roles such as monitoring information centers and repairing vehicles. The effort freed up hundreds of Border Patrol agents for fieldwork, while the agency set to hiring 6,000 new personnel of its own.

The plan went so smoothly that governors in four Border States have asked the Bush administration to extend the Guard's deployment.

Earlier this year, Texas Gov. Rick Perry, a staunch supporter of Jumpstart from the beginning, lobbied for an extension in light of rising border violence in areas such as Nuevo Laredo and Ciudad Juarez, across the border from Laredo and El Paso, respectively.

While Perry still has the power to station the state's Guard troops wherever he deems necessary, the federal government picked up the tab under Operation Jumpstart.

"The governor has certainly been in favor of an extension and is disappointed that it doesn't look like it will be happening," spokeswoman Allison Castle said.

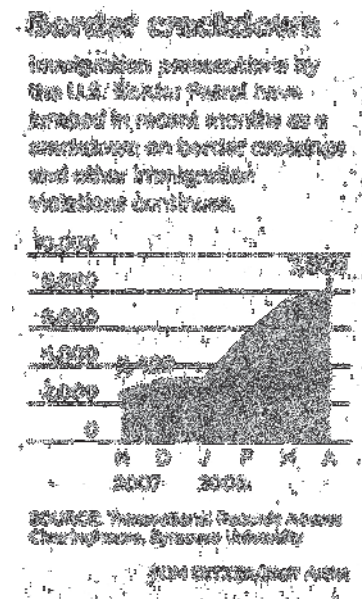
The governors of Arizona, California and New Mexico also asked Congress for an extension, even though the California and New Mexico governors had earlier panned the plan.

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Border Arrests Cram Courts

Dallas Morning News, July 17, 2008

Operation Streamline





Sen. Hutchison Introduces \$500 Million Border Law Enforcement Legislation
Would Establish DOJ Grant Program with Focus on Border Communities

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX), today filed legislation that would create a \$500 million grant funding program at the U.S. Department of Justice with a direct focus on helping border communities fight narcoterrorism.

“Our border law enforcement personnel are under assault and the Congress must provide the funding they need,” said Sen. Hutchison. “Federal funding for combating narcotics trafficking must focus on the communities along the border that are on the frontlines.”

The Border Law Enforcement Relief Act of 2008 will create and authorize \$100 million for each of the 2009-2013 fiscal years in federal grant funding, with two-thirds designated for border communities within 100 miles of the northern and southern borders. One-third of the grant funding will be designated for law enforcement agencies across the countries that are affected by border-related criminal activity.

Funding from these grants could be used to obtain equipment, upgrade technology, hire additional personnel, and cover overtime and transportation costs associated with criminal activity along the border.

In May Sen. Hutchison secured \$100 million in federal funding for domestic law enforcement in the Senate version of the Supplemental Appropriations bill, but the funding was removed during a conference with the House.

Also today, Sen. Hutchison sent a letter to the Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman and Ranking Member (and the subcommittee of jurisdiction’s Chairman and Ranking Member) asking that \$100 million be added to the second Emergency Supplemental Appropriations bill (\$85 million for domestic law enforcement and \$15 million to fund Project Gun Runner).

RESOURCES:

RELEASE: “[Sen. Hutchison Successfully Boosts Border Law Enforcement Funding by \\$100 Million](#)” (5/15/08)

RELEASE: “[Sen. Hutchison Introduces Southwest Border Violence Reduction Act](#)” (4/21/08)

Presidential Race and Immigration
Migration News - July 2008

... (T)here may be a deadlock over immigration reform in Congress in 2009 regardless of who is elected president in 2008. Senators Barack Obama (D-IL) and John McCain (R-AZ) favor the comprehensive reforms approved by the Senate in 2006 but stalemated by disagreement in 2007. In separate appearances before the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials on June 28, 2008, both Obama and McCain pledged to support immigration reform, although Obama stressed legalization while McCain stressed the need for credible enforcement.

Advocates favoring more restrictions on immigration have turned to state and local governments, encouraging them to enact laws cracking down on unauthorized migration. Combined with tougher federal enforcement of immigration laws, they hope that some unauthorized foreigners will leave the US, bringing about attrition through enforcement. Eventually, restrictionists believe there could be legalization for some of the remaining unauthorized foreigners in exchange for lower levels of legal immigration.

Admissionists believe that markets overrule laws, * and that the US government cannot prevent migrants from being hired by US employers. Those favoring legalization and high levels of legal immigration believe that most Americans will eventually agree that reforming US immigration policy includes expanding channels to admit the workers the US economy "needs."

If employers were required to verify the identity and status of newly hired workers immediately, admissionists argue, the result would likely be business pressure that would lead to some combination of new guest worker programs, legalization of unauthorized workers, and more legal immigrants and guest workers.

* The Rule of Law, in its most basic form, is the principle that no one is above the law.

Thomas Paine stated in his pamphlet *Common Sense* (1776): "For as in absolute governments the king is law, so in free countries the law ought to be king; and there ought to be no other."

Shame on Barack Obama!

Terrorists and Vigilantes
Investor's Business Daily - 7/15/2008

Barack Obama tells "The Race" that U.S. law enforcement officers are terrorists and that communities that enforce immigration laws are vigilantes.

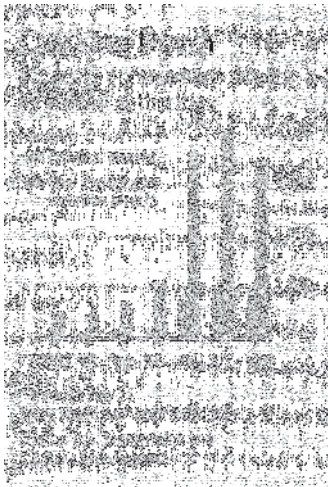
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Statement Found on a La Raza Website
by La Raza President Janet Murgia
www.nclr.org/content/viewpoints/detail/42500/

"We recognize that some people might be confused about our organization's name, our mission, and our work. Much of this is understandable. Compared to some of our venerable counterparts in the civil rights and advocacy community, we are a relatively young institution representing Latinos, a historically disadvantaged and often misunderstood ethnic minority. We have a Spanish term in our name, "La Raza" (meaning "the people" or "community"), which is often mistranslated."

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Homeland Security
Worksite Enforcement is Working!



ICE Probe of Nevada McDonald's Franchisee Results in Guilty Pleas by Local Corporation and Current and Former Executives on Immigration Charges

WASHINGTON, July 16, 2008 /PRNewswire-USNewswire via COMTEX/ One current and one former top executive for a franchisee that owns 11 McDonald's restaurants in and around Reno, Nev., and the corporation itself pleaded guilty in federal court in Las Vegas today to federal felony immigration offenses for encouraging illegal aliens to reside in the United States. These charges stem from an investigation by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) into allegations the company knowingly hired illegal alien workers

The government and Mack Associates agreed that the corporation will pay a \$1 million fine -- \$500,000 for each count, the maximum allowed -- and be placed on probation during the period that the fine is outstanding.

The plea agreement details how Mack Associates' management employed individuals they knew were in the country illegally, including two restaurant managers, by furnishing them with names and Social Security numbers belonging to other individuals. marketwatch.com

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Chertoff Defends Border Actions, Calls for Immigration Bill By Chris Strohm, CongressDaily



Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff Thursday defended actions his department has taken to control the nation's borders and prodded Congress to continue to provide funding and support for key security programs.

"We have turned the corner on this," Chertoff said during what he and several lawmakers said could be his last public hearing in front of the House Homeland Security Committee before the end of the Bush administration. "We have really started to move the ball in the other direction."

But he said Congress needs to reauthorize the so-called E-Verify program, which employers can use to verify the legal status of workers, and get fiscal 2009 funding to the states for border security programs.



Washington Actions

Introduced Bills

Introduced: S. 3257: Sen. Arlen Specter (R-PA)

A bill to extend immigration programs to promote legal immigration and for other purposes.

Includes the following section: SEC. 5. Extension of the E-Verify Program.

Introduced: S. 3293 Senator Jeff Bingaman (D-NM)

A bill to provide financial aid to local law enforcement officials along the Nation's borders. . .

Co-sponsors Sen. John Cornyn, (R-TX), Sen. Pete Domenici (R-NM), Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)

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State Actions



Victory

Secure Borders Candidates Fend off Open Borders Candidates

Walter Jones of North Carolina,, the incumbent beat back his challenger, Jason Chaffetz of Utah won handily over the incumbent, Chris Cannon (nicknamed the Amnesty King) and Paul Broun in Georgia beat his challenger and won his race by 71%.

Arizona

PHOENIX (AP) -- Arizona's appeals court on Thursday upheld the conviction of an illegal immigrant prosecuted as a conspirator under the state's human-smuggling law.

The court found that the law's wording is clear and unambiguous - illegal immigrants can be convicted for conspiracy to smuggle themselves into the country.

The defendant, Juan Barragan-Sierra of Mexico, had argued that the Arizona Legislature didn't intend to punish anyone but smugglers when it passed the law.

The 2005 law made it a state crime to smuggle humans, already a federal crime.

Nebraska

Nebraska Town Proposes Occupancy License Aimed at Immigration Omaha World Herald, 07-11-08

"A proposed law aimed at banishing illegal immigrants from Fremont, Neb., would require every renter — whether they were born in the United States or immigrated here — to obtain an occupancy license through the city.

The proposal has sparked an outcry among advocates for Latinos. Nebraska Appleseed attorney Norm Pflanz said he is confident that many Fremont citizens will join in opposition once they understand the full impact of the ordinance — on their lives as well as those of immigrants. Fremont's is the first city council in the state to propose an ordinance that would ban harboring and renting to illegal immigrants.

Lawmakers in other U.S. localities have introduced similar initiatives, often later struck down by the courts, according to national immigration groups."

Missouri

New Missouri Law Requires Select Employers to Use E-Verify - 07/08/2008

Yesterday, Governor Matt Blunt signed legislation (HB 1549) aimed at curbing illegal immigration in Missouri. Under the new law, employers that knowingly hire or continue to employ unauthorized aliens to perform work in Missouri could face civil liability in state courts and lose their business licenses. (Note: This provision of the new law goes into effect on January 1, 2009). Although this conduct has long been prohibited under federal law, the new state law will allow investigation and enforcement by the Missouri Attorney General and the filing of a civil lawsuit in Missouri state court

Cities

Migration News - July 2008

The New York Times reported on June 9, 2008 that more local police are enforcing laws that lead to the arrest and removal of unauthorized foreigners.

Some 47 state and local police departments across the US received training from ICE on immigration laws and

another 95 are waiting for training. Police can arrest unauthorized foreigners for identity theft or other state and local crimes. When that becomes a general practice, unauthorized immigrants are apt to leave the area.

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Who is a Citizen?

*Edward H. Erler Professor of Political Science
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publication of Hillsdale College"*

Citizenship, of course, does not exist by nature; it is created by law, and the identification of citizens has always been considered an essential aspect of sovereignty. After all, the founders of a new nation are not born citizens of the new nation they create. Indeed, this is true of all citizens of a new nation they are not born into it, but rather become citizens by law.

Although the Constitution of 1787 mentioned citizens, it did not define citizenship. It was in 1868 that a definition of citizenship entered the Constitution with the ratification of the Fourteenth Amendment. Here is the familiar language: "All person born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside." Thus there are two components to American citizenship: birth or naturalization in the U.S. and being subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S.

We have somehow come today to believe than anyone born within the geographical limits of the U.S. is automatically subject to its jurisdiction. But this renders the jurisdiction clause utterly superfluous and without force. If this had been the intention of the frames of the Fourteenth Amendment, presumably they would simply have said that all persons born or naturalized in the United States are thereby citizens. ‘

Pregnant? Go to Saipan So your Babies can be U.S. Citizens

*Chinese Flock to Saipan for
U.S. Immigration Opportunities*
[World Journal](#), Posted: Jul 12, 2008

LOS ANGELES—The Consolidated Natural Resources Act 2008, which was signed into law by President Bush in May, has become a springboard for Chinese nationals to immigrate to the United States, reports the World Journal.

The Act enables the United States to take over the labor and immigration system of Saipan, the largest island and capital of the U.S. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI). Lawyers say that employers in Saipan are allowed to apply for U.S. work visas for immigrant workers under the new act, and that babies born in Saipan automatically be U.S. citizens.

Many Chinese are moving to take advantage of the act, the World Journal reports. Immigration services in big cities like Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Wuhan have started programs like "Labor Export to Saipan" and "Deliver an American Baby in Saipan." Expecting mothers pay anywhere from 140,000 to 240,000 RMB (about 20,000 to 35,000 USD) for the service that will allow them to deliver their babies in Saipan.

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For in reason, all government without the consent
of the governed is the very definition of slavery.
Jonathan Swift (1667-1745)

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Raza Studies" Defy American Values

Liam Julian CBS News

Some K-12 public schools now teach something called "Raza Studies." Arizona's Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Horne discovered they included texts with titles such as Occupied America and The Pedagogy of Oppression. According to John Ward, a Tucson teacher who saw his U.S. history course co-opted by the Raza Studies department, the Raza curriculum's focus is "that Mexican-Americans were and continue to be victims of a racist American society driven by the interests of middle and upper-class whites."

National Association of Former Border Patrol Officers

<http://www.nafbpo.org> Foreign News Report

La Crónica de Hoy (Mexico City) 7/9/08

Mexico serves as the "trampoline" for 350,000 illegal foreigners to enter the US each year, according to the Center for Documentation, Identification and Analysis of the Mexican Chamber of Deputies (House of Representatives). Citing the majority as being from Central and South America, the report also lists many other nationalities from Asia and Africa who see Mexico as "the easy road to the American Dream

Tamaulipas en Linea (Tamaulipas) 7/9/08

Each year 400,000 Mexicans emigrate to the US. For this reason, the powers that be are required to provide better opportunities for those obligated to abandon their country in search of better living conditions, according to a national commission on migratory matters. They plan to open a program, "Stay in Mexico," to slow the loss of citizens. The commission estimates that 25% of Mexican citizens live in the US. At this rate, by 2050, "practically half of our population will live in the neighboring country to the north."

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