Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary,

I write in support of SB 703, the bill to provide grants to nonprofits to help immigrants improve their legal status.

At this moment in our nation's history, our immigrant neighbors, friends, students, and loved ones are in a very dangerous situation. Many of them have been living and working in our communities for decades, paying taxes often with no access to public services, and have been outstanding additions to our towns, cities, and workplaces.

The immigration system is an incredibly complex system to navigate, with laws and policies constantly changing. It is an extremely expensive system to navigate. Resolving applications for legal status can take years.

With our neighbors and friends facing an administration hell-bent on deportation, thousands of decent people living in Oregon now live in great fear, as do their children and grandchildren.

Please help them at this dangerous moment. Please support SB 703.

Respectfully,

Roscoe Caron Eugene