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I am Michael Pollard. I am a naturalized US citizen since 1989 but have been in the US legally since 1974. My skin is brown and I still have my Belizean accent. Every time I leave my house, my wife of almost 50 years worries like I do. Could I violently be abducted by ICE as others have. Because I do believe I can be, I live in constant fear whenever I go anywhere, always looking over my shoulders. I currently avoid many areas of Salem so that If I should ever become a victim of ICE, hopefully there will be witnesses. I spoke to a white woman recently and asked her if this would happen to her, what would she do. She said she does not think that would ever happen to her because she is white and a US citizen. I asked her again. This time, she said she would just freak out. I know that I would remain calm and levelheaded in hopes that I would live through it all and again be with my wife, children, and grandchildren. Again, I believe that ICE would abduct me if they had the chance because I know what being profiled feels like and looks like from my own experiences. I support HB 4114.

Thanks for listening,

Michael Pollard