Techniques for Integrating Civics, Citizenship, and English Language Instruction

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1. THE CURRENT SITUATION: National

Source: "The First 100 Days: Summary of Major Immigration Actions Taken by the Trump Administration," Migration Policy Institute:

http://www.migrationpolicy.org/research/first-100-days-summary-major-immigration-actions-taken-trump-administration

Executive Order 13759 (1/27/17)

90-day suspended entries Extreme vetting Refugee admissions: -120-day pause -admission ceiling lowered from 110,000 to 50,000 -favoring religious minorities Temporary restraining orders - 2/3/17 and 2/9/17

Executive Order 13780 (3/6/17)

Removed Iraq Extreme vetting Refugee admissions: -120-day pause -admission ceiling lowered from 110,000 to 50,000 -removed provision favoring religious minorities Federal district court injunctions prior to 3/16/17 effective date Currently in the courts

Executive Order 13767 (1/25/17)

Border security and immigration enforcement improvements Border wall planning Detention facility construction and leasing of space at and near border Violators to be detained pending outcome of removal hearings Calls for Section 287(g) cooperation of states and localities to perform immigration enforcement fucnctions Hires 5,000 additional Border Patrol agents Redirects \$20 million existing funds to construct additional border barriers Wall prototypes to be built this summer in CA

DHS Sensitive Locations policy not assured: ICE arrests include during courthouse appearances and in the vicinity (but not usually on the premises) of schools and places of worship, as well as during routine check-ins at USCIS offices

2. THE CURRENT SITUATION: North Carolina

SB145: April 26, 2017

Directs state police to enforce US immigration law Punishes local governments by withholding tax revenue for enacting local immigration policy (e.g., local IDs) Defunds UNC institutions that limit federal immigration enforcement

3. EDUCATION AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE

See resources at Facebook page "Bill Bliss - USA" for links to advocacy organizations, PDFs of legal protection "red cards" and other information materials

North Carolina Emergency Preparedness Guide, published by the North Carolina Justice Center Immigrant and Refugee Rights Project:

http://www.ncjustice.org/sites/default/files/EMERGENCY%20PLANNING%20GUIDE%20for%20I MMIGRANTS--final-web.pdf

4. VOICES OF FREEDOM: Citizenship and Civics Text for Adult English Language Learners

http://www.mypearsonstore.com/bookstore/voices-of-freedom-english-and-civics-for-u.s.-citizenship-0132366282

5. RELATED ARTICLES

Virtual Field Trips for Civics and Citizenship: http://molinskyandbliss.longmanhomeusa.com/articles.php?mid=38

"You had me at hello": Citizenship Lessons from Jerry Maguire and Voices of Freedom http://molinskyandbliss.longmanhomeusa.com/articles.php?mid=40

Becoming a Citizen on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: http://molinskyandbliss.longmanhomeusa.com/articles.php?mid=41 Talking Turkey about Thanksgiving and Citizenship Prep: http://molinskyandbliss.longmanhomeusa.com/articles.php?mid=44

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