

Alfredo Guardado,

You cannot say you did not know this family. You met us. You spoke with us. We came to you for help. You saw with your own eyes that Malaika and Xayah have a father, mother, grandparents, relatives, and an entire family that continues fighting for them.

After I first spoke publicly before the San Diego County Board of Supervisors about what was happening to my family, you took me into the hallway and talked with me directly. During that conversation, you asked whether my son had mental-health problems. I told you absolutely not. He is a father fighting for his children after already seeing what the child-welfare system had done to his own family in Florida. Even Keenan eventually shook your hand. We gave you the benefit of the doubt. We thought maybe someone in leadership was finally listening.

Later, you appeared willing to help Evelyn Lopez. Again, this family hoped somebody in authority was finally going to step in. Again, nothing meaningful changed. The separation continued. The attacks continued. The pressure continued. Evelyn completed her court-ordered case plan, yet her parental rights were still terminated. Malaika and Xayah remain separated from their family today.

That is why this letter is different. You are not some distant administrator learning about this family from reports. You personally interacted with us. You heard from us directly. You knew this family was fighting to preserve its children long before termination ever happened, and you know that fight continues now.

You also knew I had been approved as a Resource Family. Yet your name later became connected with efforts aimed at my RFA approval. Protected speech, QR codes, public advocacy, and circumstances involving my elderly mother were turned against me. One action sought to disqualify me for two years. Another threatened permanent disqualification. I challenged those actions and appealed them. When the contradictions were confronted, that effort went quiet.

That history matters because it fits the larger pattern. When this family speaks, the response is not openness. When we expose misconduct, the response is not accountability. When we go public, the response is more pressure, more accusations, more restrictions, more distance between us and the children, and more attempts to portray the family itself as the problem.

Then Evelyn gave birth to newborn twins. Almost immediately, San Diego County workers were out trying to locate them even though those babies were not part of the case involving Malaika and Xayah. They came at twilight. Their actions were captured on video. After everything already inflicted upon this family, your agency was now searching for Malaika and Xayah's newborn twin siblings too. We documented it, and we are not going to pretend that sending government workers out at twilight looking for newborn babies under those circumstances was normal.

There is also something deeply disturbing about the public message coming from your department. You appear in videos and public events celebrating adoption. You have publicly celebrated large numbers of children being adopted out of foster care, including dozens in a single day. Yet where is the same celebration of reunification? Where are the videos celebrating a mother who completes her case plan and gets her children home? Where is the same enthusiasm when grandparents, relatives, and approved Resource Families preserve a child's connection to blood family instead of replacing it?

That contrast matters. Adoption is treated like a public victory. Reunification and kinship preservation do not appear to receive the same spotlight. For families like ours, that raises a serious question: is the system truly centered on preserving safe families, or has it become more comfortable celebrating separation after the fact?

There is also a financial side to this that cannot be ignored. Federal and state taxpayers are funding this system, and those dollars are supposed to serve children, support lawful permanency, and preserve safe families whenever possible. Instead, public money continues flowing while Malaika and Xayah remain separated from a family that is here, willing, and fighting for them. That demands serious scrutiny for fraud, waste, and abuse and for whether federal foster-care funding is being used to maintain a separation that should never have been allowed to continue this long. Taxpayer money should not finance unnecessary family destruction while safe relatives are pushed aside.

Malaika and Xayah have never been children without family. They are not children without family now. Their mother completed her case plan. Their father fights for them. Their grandparents and relatives fight for them. They have newborn twin siblings they have never even been allowed to meet. They are loved, wanted, remembered, and fought for every single day.

And while this family is pushed farther away, San Diego County continues protecting Norma Olivares, a nonrelative caregiver who has been allowed to make devastating accusations against me. She has portrayed me as a rapist, a stalker, as someone who sexually abused Malaika, and even as someone who was rude to her despite the fact that I have never met this woman in my life. Those are not harmless remarks. They attack my character, my relationship with my granddaughter, and my place in this family while helping justify more distance between me and these children.

How does a non-blood, nonrelative caregiver get away with making dangerous accusations against a family she has never even met while those accusations are allowed to help keep children separated from the people they are screaming to go home to? Malaika and Xayah do not belong cut off from their family and raised as though their blood relatives do not exist. From the beginning, Norma Olivares has been positioned in a way that keeps these children with her while the family is pushed farther away, and San Diego County continues protecting that arrangement despite the children's repeated distress. When children are begging to go home, breaking down emotionally, and showing that level of attachment to their family, the question is not how to preserve a stranger's placement. The question is

why your agency continues allowing that placement to override the family bonds these children are clearly fighting to keep.

At the same time, the children themselves continue showing distress. We have videos of them screaming for their mother and family. Social workers were caught closing their laptops approximately five minutes before visits ended, before the worst emotional breakdowns began, meaning some of the most important moments showing the children's trauma were not being observed or documented. Malaika begged me, Please, Grandpa, I want to go with you, and later suffered an approximately 25-minute emotional breakdown in front of her neurotherapist because she did not want to return to Olivares.

You hold leadership responsibility in a department that is supposed to understand attachment, trauma, family bonds, kinship, and reunification. So explain how that level of distress is reconciled with continuing separation. Explain how a nonrelative caregiver receives this degree of protection while the blood family is treated as a threat. Explain how the same system that teaches Resource Families to support family relationships allows those relationships to be systematically weakened.

Free speech is not abuse. Public criticism of government employees is not neglect. Speaking before the Board of Supervisors is not grounds for taking a family apart. Publishing information, distributing QR codes, contacting elected officials, speaking to journalists, and demanding accountability are lawful acts. Children should never become leverage against a family because that family refuses to stay quiet.

And underneath all of this is what this case has become: a grudge-driven abuse of power. Once this family spoke publicly, challenged government employees, exposed misconduct, and refused to submit, the focus shifted away from helping children and toward punishing the people who would not remain silent. The trauma to Malaika and Xayah, the damage to their mother and father, the grief inflicted on grandparents and relatives, and the destruction of family bonds have repeatedly been treated as secondary to protecting the system and the people operating inside it. That is what makes this so disturbing. The children's suffering does not stop the machinery. The family's suffering does not stop it. The system keeps moving forward anyway.

And this is where your personal history with us matters most. You were there before the worst of this happened. You met us before parental rights were terminated. You heard from us while there was still time to intervene. You knew this family existed. You knew we were fighting for Malaika and Xayah. You knew we were asking for help. You cannot now separate yourself from that history.

The years being taken from these children cannot be returned. Their great-grandmother died while still fighting to see them returned to their family, and Malaika and Xayah will never see her again. They cannot recover the birthdays, holidays, family traditions, sibling relationships, and childhood memories being taken from them during this separation. No future explanation, apology, hearing, or court order can restore that time.

This family is not going away. We are preserving the recordings, videos, reports, communications, court history, and chronology. We are contacting federal officials, elected representatives, journalists, attorneys, advocates, and others outside San Diego County. We will continue pursuing appellate review, civil-rights enforcement, federal scrutiny, public exposure, journalism, legislative oversight, and every lawful avenue available to us.

The wheels of injustice can move quickly. The wheels of justice often move slower. But they still turn. I am in my golden years, but do not mistake that for weakness, surrender, or silence. Malaika and Xayah are not children without family. They have a mother, father, grandparents, relatives, newborn twin siblings, and an entire family that continues loving them and fighting for them. Their great-grandmother died while still fighting to see them returned to their family, and that loss can never be undone. Your department may have enormous power, enormous resources, and layers of protection around it, but this family also has something you cannot manufacture: determination. I am old-school, sound-minded, persistent, and I am not going away. I will keep documenting, speaking, writing, organizing, and bringing more people into this fight until the truth about what is happening to Malaika and Xayah is fully exposed and every lawful avenue for accountability has been pursued.

Your department should be using its power to protect children who are actually abused and neglected, not prolonging the separation of children whose family provides food, shelter, clothing, medical care, love, and a safe home. What is happening here is not harming only Malaika and Xayah. Your department's actions are dragging law-abiding parents, grandparents, seniors, and elderly family members into years of forced separation, grief, upheaval, and relentless government conflict. You have put an entire family on permanent alert, forcing us to defend our children, our names, our relationships, and our constitutional rights against the very agency that is supposed to protect families. Their great-grandmother died while still fighting to see Malaika and Xayah returned to their family. Instead of protecting a family, your department has created a battle with one—and this is a family that is not backing down. Malaika and Xayah are not children without a family. They are children being kept from one.

Alfredo Guardado, this is not your first notice. You met us. You heard us. You knew then. You know now.



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First, San Diego County's child-welfare fraud and foster-prison machine kidnapped Malaika and Xayah. Then it came after her twins. How many Robinson children does this machine believe it is entitled to target before it finally leaves this family alone?

"Anyone who kidnaps someone is to be put to death, whether the victim has been sold or is still in the kidnapper's possession." — Exodus 21:16

