

Federal Bureau of Investigation
San Diego Field Office
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Re: Formal Request for Independent Federal Civil-Rights Investigation — Malaika and Xayah Robinson

To the Special Agent in Charge:

I am writing because my family has already gone to the San Diego FBI seeking help, and being told to listen to the agency is not an acceptable response when the conduct of that very agency is what we were asking federal law enforcement to examine. On October 28, 2024, I contacted the San Diego FBI concerning what was happening to my granddaughters, Malaika and Xayah, and what my family was experiencing with San Diego County Child Welfare Services. I provided information concerning the people involved and the serious problems we were witnessing. The response I received, in substance, was to listen to what the agency tells me. That response has stayed with me because the entire purpose of contacting the FBI was to ask someone outside that system to examine whether the agency itself was abusing its authority.

On August 1, 2025, Evelyn Lopez, Malaika and Xayah's mother, went personally to the San Diego FBI office seeking help. She arrived prepared with substantial documentation and a thumb drive containing evidence organized with assistance from advocate Audra Morgan. Evelyn was attempting to report what she believed was retaliation, false reporting, interference with her family, and serious violations committed against her and her children. She too came away with essentially the same message: listen to the agency. A family cannot meaningfully report misconduct by government officials to federal law enforcement if the response is simply to defer back to the same government system being accused.

I am therefore asking the FBI to independently examine whether government actors connected with this case crossed the line into violations of federal civil-rights law. My family is asking for an investigation into whether protected speech was punished, whether false or misleading information was knowingly placed into government reports or testimony, whether evidence was manipulated or minimized, whether lawful family relationships were intentionally interfered with, and whether private individuals became intertwined with government actors in ways that contributed to the deprivation of constitutional rights. I am not asking the FBI to accept my conclusions because I put them in a letter. I am asking federal investigators to examine the evidence instead of accepting the child-welfare agency's version of events at face value.

Malaika and Xayah are not abandoned children and they are not children without family. They have a mother, a father, a paternal grandfather, siblings, extended family, and people who have fought relentlessly for them. I was approved as a family placement. Evelyn

participated in services, therapy, visitation, and reunification efforts and continued fighting to preserve her relationship with her daughters. The girls remained strongly bonded to their mother, and expert testimony warned that severing that relationship would cause catastrophic psychological and emotional harm. Yet this system continued moving toward permanent separation while evidence of that bond and the children's distress remained directly in front of the people making decisions.

One of the most disturbing features of this case is how repeatedly the focus shifted from child safety to speech. The blog, the website, photographs, QR codes, flyers, public protests, appearances before the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, criticism of government officials, and family members speaking publicly became recurring subjects of reports, restrictions, and government concern. I have watched protected speech become intertwined with decisions affecting visitation, family relationships, placement, and how family members and advocates were portrayed. I am asking the FBI to determine whether the escalation against this family was influenced by retaliation for First Amendment activity rather than legitimate concerns for the safety of Malaika and Xayah.

There are also extraordinarily serious statements that entered the child-welfare record. Evelyn Lopez has stated that she never told Norma Olivares or Ronald Rivas Silverio that I raped her, and she has stated that she never told them that I sexually abused Malaika. Yet versions of those accusations entered the record surrounding this case. There is also a report asserting that Evelyn and I followed Norma from the hospital after Xayah had been hospitalized with pneumonia. We did not follow her. Accusations involving rape, sexual abuse, stalking, danger, and inappropriate conduct are not harmless inaccuracies when government officials can use those statements to determine whether parents and relatives ever see children again. I am asking investigators to determine where these statements originated, who repeated them, what evidence supported them, whether anyone knew or should have known they were false, and what effect those statements had on decisions involving this family.

The role of private caregiver Norma Olivares also deserves serious scrutiny. Evelyn had been estranged from Norma for more than twelve years before Norma suddenly re-entered her life. Evelyn states that Norma learned of the child-welfare matter through intercepted case-related mail, then located Evelyn through Facebook, traveled to Missouri, and pressured her to return to California with warnings concerning law enforcement and arrest. Evelyn further describes Norma monitoring her communications, reporting her lawful contacts with paternal family members to social workers, and becoming deeply involved in decisions affecting whether Evelyn could maintain relationships with her own daughters. I am asking the FBI to examine whether a private citizen became so intertwined with government actors that her conduct contributed to the destruction of a mother-child relationship and the deprivation of protected family rights.

Audra Morgan is another important part of this pattern. Malaika spoke to Audra about private matters involving her body and what was happening to her. Instead of the

substance of that disclosure being the sole focus of careful independent scrutiny, Audra herself was pulled into reports, portrayed negatively, excluded from courtrooms, and ultimately removed from the girls' lives. Audra is well known in San Diego because she publicly challenges child-welfare practices and refuses to remain silent. When someone receives private information from a child and then becomes another person pushed out of that child's life, federal investigators should examine whether the underlying concern was properly investigated and whether outspoken advocates were being treated differently because they continued challenging the system.

During this same general period, Evelyn and other women connected with these concerns also protested outside the San Diego FBI office. I have been told that FBI personnel contacted local police concerning the protesters and characterized them as unstable or disruptive, while responding police reportedly determined that they were simply engaged in peaceful protest concerning child trafficking and child-welfare issues. If that account is accurate, the related FBI communications, calls for service, dispatch records, CAD logs, police reports, and body-worn camera footage should be preserved and examined. Peaceful citizens protesting what they believe is government misconduct should not themselves become the problem merely because their message is uncomfortable or embarrassing to the agencies they are criticizing.

There are also serious medical and dental concerns involving these children. Malaika's upper front baby teeth were extracted while she was in caregiver placement, and Evelyn states she was not informed beforehand. Xayah experienced substantial medical problems after removal, and Evelyn and Audra later obtained more than 500 pages of medical records concerning her care. The family contends that important medical information and the extent of the children's difficulties were not always presented to them in a complete and transparent manner. These facts should be examined together with the broader question of whether government reports accurately reflected what was actually happening to Malaika and Xayah while they remained separated from their family.

The girls' emotional condition is equally important. My family repeatedly witnessed severe distress when visits with their mother ended. The girls cried, resisted separation, and struggled with returning to the caregiver. Transitional therapy became part of their lives because those transitions were not going well. The family possesses recordings, videos, reports, and other evidence concerning those endings, while we contend that official reports did not always reflect the full intensity of what these children were experiencing. That discrepancy becomes even more serious when expert testimony independently established a strong parent-child bond and warned that severing that bond would cause catastrophic psychological and emotional harm.

At one of Evelyn's final visits in Spring Valley, Malaika and Xayah were photographed outside a Sheriff's facility holding pink signs saying I LOVE MOM. Law-enforcement personnel were present, and a published news story documented the final goodbye after termination of their mother's parental rights. Those photographs should stop anyone

looking at this case long enough to ask what is actually happening. These little girls were visibly expressing love for their mother while the government process around them was moving toward permanently severing that relationship. Body-worn camera footage, CAD records, dispatch information, reports, photographs, and related communications from that encounter should be preserved because they may provide independent evidence of the relationship between these children and their mother.

These are the same children the system treats as adoptable even though they already have a mother, a father, a grandfather, siblings, and an extended family. Government terminology does not erase biological relationships, emotional bonds, or the fact that these children have people who have fought for them for years. Malaika and Xayah should never be treated as though nobody exists for them simply because a dependency system has moved toward adoption. They have always had a family, and that fact is central to why the conduct surrounding this case requires independent examination.

My family is asking the FBI to investigate whether San Diego County Child Welfare Services and individuals connected with the dependency process engaged in false reporting, retaliation, fabricated or misleading evidence, perjury, obstruction, unlawful surveillance, interference with familial association, misuse of government authority, or other conduct that deprived this family of federally protected rights. We are also asking federal investigators to examine whether private parties and public officials coordinated in ways that transformed a child-protection proceeding into a process of permanent family separation despite contrary evidence concerning family placement, reunification, bonding, and harm to the children.

If Child Welfare Services acted properly, then an independent examination of the evidence should establish that. If I am dangerous, investigate me and identify the evidence. If Evelyn Lopez is dangerous, identify the evidence. If Malaika and Xayah truly required permanent separation from their mother, grandfather, siblings, and extended family, then the evidence supporting something that extreme should survive independent federal scrutiny. But if government employees knowingly supplied false information, ignored material evidence, retaliated against protected speech, manipulated reports, coordinated with private individuals to interfere with reunification, or used governmental authority to punish a family that refused to remain silent, then that is precisely the kind of conduct federal civil-rights enforcement exists to examine.

My family has already lost years that can never be returned. My elderly mother died while this fight was still going on, and Malaika and Xayah lost irreplaceable time with their great-grandmother. I have now gone approximately a year without seeing my granddaughters. They have been deprived of relationships with siblings and extended relatives they should have known throughout their childhood. These are not abstract legal injuries. These are permanent losses happening to real children and a real family while government officials continue exercising enormous power over their lives.

I am not going away, and I will not be intimidated into silence because government officials do not like being publicly questioned. I will continue documenting what is happening, preserving reports, photographs, videos, medical records, court documents, public statements, and correspondence, and bringing that material to elected officials, federal authorities, civil-rights agencies, journalists, newspapers, filmmakers, and the public. That does not make me dangerous. It makes me a grandfather who refuses to abandon his granddaughters while institutions with far greater power than my family continue determining whether those children are permitted to know the people who love them.

I am asking the San Diego FBI to preserve its own records concerning my October 28, 2024 contact and Evelyn Lopez's August 1, 2025 visit, including intake records, notes, visitor information, internal communications, referrals, and any other records associated with those contacts. I am also asking that records concerning the protest outside the San Diego FBI office be preserved, including communications with local law enforcement and any related incident, dispatch, or security records. Most importantly, I am asking that this complaint not simply be referred back to San Diego County Child Welfare Services, because that agency and the conduct surrounding it are precisely what we are asking federal law enforcement to independently examine.

The bottom line is that what is happening to Malaika, Xayah, Evelyn Lopez, and this entire family is a gross miscarriage of justice. These children have a family and they have always had a family. A federal law-enforcement response consisting of listen to the agency is not enough when the allegations concern whether that agency and people working alongside it abused governmental power. I am asking the FBI to do what my family asked for from the beginning: independently examine the evidence, determine whether federal civil-rights or criminal violations occurred, and follow the facts wherever they lead.

Please be advised that this letter and any supporting materials may be published online or otherwise made available to the public as part of my continuing effort to document this case, preserve the record, seek accountability, and ensure that what has happened to Malaika and Xayah is not buried or forgotten.

For the record,



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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?

