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**Justice in Motion Calls on Congress to Cut DHS Funding
Following Deadly Enforcement Operation**

NEW YORK – We are devastated by the senseless murder of Alex Jeffrey Pretti, a 37-year-old intensive care unit nurse in Minneapolis who dedicated his life to caring for others and supporting his community. On Saturday, he was shot and killed while peacefully observing a federal immigration enforcement operation – the latest in a series of violent confrontations involving the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) agencies, ICE and CBP, that have terrorized immigrant families and disproportionately harmed communities of color.

This violence reflects this administration's continuing and profound disregard for human life – whether inflicted on people targeted for immigration enforcement, protesters, or bystanders.

Even as we grieve, Justice in Motion urges Congress to act now to rein in DHS. Congress must refuse to provide even a single dollar to ICE and CBP through the appropriations process and immediately take action to revoke the tens of billions already given through last summer's reconciliation bill. We are grateful to those Senate Democrats who have affirmed they will not advance an appropriations bill that includes DHS funding, and we stand with them in demanding real accountability and protections that safeguard – not endanger – human life.

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Justice in Motion protects migrant rights by ensuring justice across borders. Our unique network of on-the-ground human rights defenders in Mexico and Central America partner with U.S. advocates to make sure that wherever migrants go, their rights will follow.