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By Signing Up for 287g, Sheriff Clarke has Signed His Resignation

MILWAUKEE - In a Wednesday afternoon [Facebook post](#), Milwaukee County Sheriff David Clarke published a letter of intent he is sending to Immigration and Customs Enforcement formally requesting 287g authorization for Milwaukee County Sheriff's deputies. Under the 287g program, Sheriffs would be authorized to racially profile, interrogate, and detain community members for deportation. Voces de la Frontera issued the following response:

"By signing this letter, Sheriff Clarke may as well have signed his resignation," said Christine Neumann-Ortiz, Executive Director of Voces de la Frontera. "Clarke has chosen the way of Arizona's Joe Arpaio and Bull Connor from 1960s Alabama. He will gain national notoriety, but also international condemnation. Clarke's self-aggrandizing actions will humiliate our county and state, and will make him the subject of lawsuits and criminal investigations. Like with Arpaio, ultimately voters will throw him out of office for his abuse of power and human rights violations. Clarke might face jail time, as Arpaio does today. We promise massive resistance. To resist racial profiling and efforts to persecute and separate our families under 287g, we will take escalated action leading up to an international general strike on May 1st. We have shown that we can organize mass strikes, business closures, consumer boycotts, school walkouts, and civil disobedience. We call on all people of good will to stand with us against Sheriff Clarke, who aims to be the new Arpaio."

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