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**ADELANTE STATEMENT ON BIDEN’S ELECTION: “BIDEN NEEDS TO PROVE HIMSELF.”**

**Jesica Tellez**, *Board Member of Adelante Alabama Worker Center and first-time voter* comments on Biden’s presidential win:

“Now that the election is over, Biden needs to prove himself. During his Vice Presidency, millions of people were deported – that’s more than under Trump. We’ve seen administrations under both Republicans and Democrats make promises about overhauling the immigration system and in both circumstances we’ve seen those promises evaporate after election day.”

“We still have a long way to go. Parents and children are still being caged in detention centers. The border is still militarized. ICE and CBP are still separating families and deporting people. Millions of Black and Brown people are suffering under the weight of systemic racism. Until Biden has addresses these issues, we refuse to be silent or accept his victory as a cure-all.”

“Biden has positioned himself as someone who can unite our country and is willing to hear from the people who have been most affected by Trump’s policies and we plan to hold him to it.”

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