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SHERIFF KRISTIN GRAZIANO TO END CHARLESTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE'S OPTIONAL 287(G) AGREEMENT WITH ICE

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(CHARLESTON, SC) Charleston County Sheriff Kristin Graziano, on her first day at the helm of the sheriff's office, will hold a ceremonial signing of the 287(g) agreement rescission. The event will take place at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 5, at El Pincho Taco, located at 616 Meeting St., Suite B, in downtown Charleston.

At the event, Sheriff Graziano will revoke the optional agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), delivering on one of her top campaign priorities in 2020. The 287(g) agreement has cost Charleston County taxpayers millions of dollars to house mostly nonviolent undocumented people, leading to a breakdown of trust between the sheriff's office and local immigrant communities. This step is one of many Sheriff Graziano will take in her administration to achieve the trust of all Charleston County residents and to strengthen the bond between the Charleston County Sheriff's Office and the Latinx community.

After the ceremonial signing, Sheriff Graziano and others in attendance will make themselves available for questions from the media. The event will then be closed to the public for a private reception following COVID-19 protocols.

Sheriff Graziano (*pronouns she, her, hers*) is a 32-year law enforcement veteran and is the first elected woman and first openly LGBTQ person to hold the office of county sheriff in South Carolina.

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