Mondaire Jones Supports The Radical Open Borders And Sanctuary City Policies That Are Responsible For New York's Illegal Immigration Problems

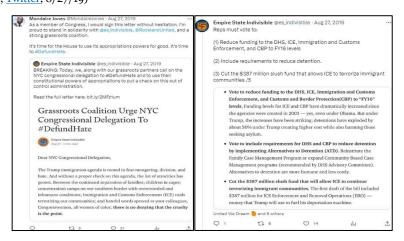
Jones Has Repeatedly Called For Defunding ICE, The Federal Agency Responsible For Stopping Illegal Immigration, Human Trafficking, And Drug Smuggling At Our Borders

In 2019, Jones Touted His Support From ICE Defunding Advocate Meredith Wisner And His Own Support For Defunding ICE. (Mondaire Jones, Twitter, 9/15/19)



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In 2019, Jones Noted He Would Not Hesitate To Sign A Letter Calling For ICE To Be Defunded By Billions Of Dollars And To Limit Detention Of Migrants. (Mondaire Jones, Twitter, 8/27/19; Empire State Indivisible, Twitter, 8/27/19)



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In 2019, Jones Criticized Incumbent Rep. Nita Lowey For Voting To Spend \$1.4 Billion For ICE. "He said he would champion cancellation of student debt, Medicare for all, a \$15 minimum wage, universal child care, and a Green New Deal, pressed by Congress members like Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, who represents parts of the Bronx and Queens. Jones also was critical of Lowey, who chairs the powerful House Appropriations Committee. He disparaged her support of spending \$1.4 billion for the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency, which enforces immigration laws. He said Lowey voted for the Defense of Marriage Act, which he said legalized discrimination against LGBTQ Americans, and President Bill Clinton's crime bill that he said accelerated mass incarceration and ravaged low-income communities and communities of color. He also cited her votes to what he called gut welfare, support the Iraq war and oppose the Iran nuclear deal." (Steve Lieberman, "Nita Lowey Faces Challenger From The Left: Mondaire Jones, Progressive Democrat, Announces 2020 Run," Journal News, 7/11/19)

Jones Criticized Lowey For Funding ICE Through Homeland Security Appropriations Bills Noting "She Doesn't Get To Say She Brought Home A Couple Million Dollars For A Project, But Not Own The Fact That She's Funding The Agency That She Now Says She's Trying To Stop From Doing The Wrong Thing." "Jones is launching an unusual line of attack against Lowey, casting her role as the first House Appropriations chairwoman, with the ability to dole out \$1.4 trillion a year, as a liability. 'By the end of this campaign, people in this district will know that she has failed to use her position as chairwoman of the Appropriations Committee -- arguably the second-most powerful role in the House of Representatives -- effectively,' Jones said. The Homeland Security spending bill, which funds Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection, is one area where Jones argues Lowey has not used her role to hold Trump 'accountable.' 'She doesn't get to say she brought home a couple million dollars for a project, but not own the fact that she's funding the agency that she now says she's trying to stop from doing the wrong thing,' Jones Said." (Jennifer Shutt, "Lowey Faces Her First Primary Challenge In Three Decades," Roll Call, 8/19/19)

Jones: "The Fact That The House Of Representatives, Controlled By Democrats, Gave \$1.4 Billion To #ICE Is Cause For Soul-Searching. We Have Got To Do Better As A Party." (Mondaire Jones, Twitter, 6/6/19)



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Immigration And Customs Enforcement (ICE) Is A Federal Agency That Enforces Border Control, Customs Trade, And Immigration. "U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is a federal agency that enforces border control, customs trade and immigration." (Meredith Deliso, "Federal Judge Rules ICE Can No Longer Operate In And Around New York Courthouses," ABC News, 6/10/20)

ICE's Mission Is To Protect America From The Cross-Border Crime And Illegal Immigration That Threatens National Security And Public Safety. "ICE's mission is to protect America from the cross-border crime and illegal immigration that threaten national security and public safety. This mission is executed through the enforcement of more than 400 federal statutes and focuses on immigration enforcement and combating transnational crime." (U.S. Immigration And Customs Enforcement, "Keeping America Safe," Accessed: 8/1/22)

ICE Is A Leader In The Fight Against Human Trafficking. "U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is a leader in the global fight against human trafficking, proactively identifying, disrupting and dismantling cross-border human trafficking organizations and minimizing the risk they pose to national security and public safety. Through Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), a victim-centered approach is used placing equal value on the identification and stabilization of victims and on the deterrence, investigation and prosecution of traffickers." (U.S. Immigration And Customs Enforcement, "Human Trafficking," Accessed: 8/1/22)

ICE Is Involved In Disrupting Narcotics Smuggling. "As part of an international effort to disrupt narcotics trafficking on the darknet, special agents with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and members of the Los Angeles Joint Criminal Opioid and Darknet Enforcement (JCODE) Task Force announced charges Tuesday against a key member of a Southern California drug trafficking organization who allegedly distributed methamphetamine and other illicit narcotics to thousands of customers in at least 35 states and numerous countries around the world." (U.S. Immigration And Customs Enforcement, "ICE Participates In International Crackdown Targeting Darknet Dealers," *Press Release*, 9/22/20)

Jones Supports A Pathway To Citizenship For Illegal Immigrants And Co-Sponsored Legislation To Provide A Pathway For As Many As 11 Million Illegal Immigrants

In 2020, Jones Committed To Passing The Dream Act As Well As A Pathway To Citizenship For Illegal Immigrants. (Mondaire For Congress, Archived 6/18/20)

Comprehensive Immigration Reform

I would not be here today had my paternal grandfather not immigrated to New York City from Kingston, Jamaica generations ago. Immigrants are the backbone of our society, from our economy to our personal relationships. Immigrants are our family members, friends, neighbors, and loved ones. We must center our immigration system around human rights, families staying together, and strengthening our economy.

As a member of Congress, I will:

- Fight to end President Trump's racist and inhumane family separation policy, whereby he locks kids in cages
 and tears families apart.
- · Co-sponsor the DREAM Act (H.R. 6), which codifies DACA, in order to protect our young people.
- · Support a pathway to citizenship for individuals currently living undocumented in this country.
- Fight for the ability of people to claim asylum due to gender-based violence such as domestic violence, which
 the Trump administration has removed putting countless women, LGBTQIA people, and their dependents
 at risk.
- Support fully funding our immigration court system, so that it has the capacity to process those asylum
 claims, and all immigration cases, and have the necessary resources to provide all claimants with legal
 counsel and hear all cases in a timely manner.
- Work to ensure that our immigration system reflects principles of humanity, justice, and dignity.
- Advocate humane trade policy that does not devastate the economies of other countries and cause people to risk life and limb to enter the United States illegally for a better life.

(Mondaire For Congress, Archived 6/18/20)

Jones Has Supported A Pathway To Citizenship For Illegal Immigrants. (Mondaire Jones, <u>Twitter</u>, 5/5/20)



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VIDEO: In 2022, Jones Touts His Sponsorship Of The U.S. Citizenship Act Noting It Would Provide A Pathway To Citizenship For "As Many As 11 Million" Illegal Immigrants. (NY 1, 8/10/22)

As The United States Faced A Surge Of Migrants At The Southern Border, Jones Voted For H.R. 6, The "American Dream And Promise Act," Which Would Create A Pathway To Citizenship For Millions Of Illegal Immigrants

VIDEO: Jones Praises Legislation To Create A Pathway To Citizenship For Millions Of Illegal Immigrants, Noting "In March We Also Passed The Dream And Promise Act Which Provides A Pathway To Citizenship For Millions Of People And I'm Hopeful That We'll Pass President Biden's Citizenship Act That Sweeping Immigration Proposal Uh And Now Bill That Has Been Introduced Which Would Extend That Right To Millions More People Put People By Putting People On A Pathway To Citizenship." (Indivisible Westchester, "Town Hall With Rep. Mondaire Jones," YouTube, Posted 4/26/21; Minute 16:30)

On March 18, 2021, Jones Voted For H.R. 6, The "American Dream And Promise Act Of 2021." (H.R. 6, Roll Call #91, Passed: 228-197, R 9-197, D 219-0, Jones Voted Yea, 3/18/21)

Jones Co-Sponsored H.R. 6, The "American Dream And Promise Act Of 2021." (H.R. 6, Introduced: 3/3/21)

The House Passed H.R. 6 As The Southern Border Faced A Surge Of Migrants. "The House passed two bills Thursday to provide a path to legal status for millions of undocumented people living in the U.S. -- part of Democrats' scaled back plans for immigration reform as a surge of migrants at the southern border puts pressure on the Biden administration." (Laura Litvan and Billy House, "Two Immigration Bills Clear House as GOP Cite Border Surge," Bloomberg, 3/18/21)

H.R. 6 Would Create A Pathway To Citizenship For More Than Two Million Illegal Immigrants. "The proposal would allow more than 2.3 million 'Dreamers,' or unauthorized immigrants who came to the U.S. as minors, as well as beneficiaries of certain temporary humanitarian programs, to gain permanent legal status and eventually, U.S. citizenship." (Camilo Montoya-Galvez, "House passes immigration bills with path to citizenship for 'Dreamers' and farmworkers," CBS News, 3/19/21)

According To The Heritage Foundation, H.R. 6 Would Provide "Amnesty And Green Cards To Millions Of Illegal Immigrants." "This bill provides amnesty and green cards to millions of illegal immigrants. It is prone to fraud and is an immoral solution to the illegal immigration problem." (The Heritage Foundation, "American Dream and Promise Act of 2021," Report, 3/16/21)

ACU: This Bill "Rewards Immigrants Who Entered The Country Illegally As Minors With Amnesty And Full Access To Taxpayer-Funded Benefits." "The American Dream and Promise Act of 2021, sponsored by Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA, ACUF Lifetime 3%), rewards immigrants who entered the country illegally as minors with amnesty and full access to taxpayer-funded benefits. Under the bill, immigrants who entered the country prior to 2021 when they were supposedly under the age of 18, are provided a pathway to citizenship, including voting rights and eligibility for welfare and subsidized college. The bill even grants amnesty to immigrants with criminal histories (up to two misdemeanor offenses.) While ACU supports expanding economic growth by increasing merit-based immigration we oppose rewarding individuals who entered the country illegally with amnesty and taxpayer-funded benefits and opposed this bill." (American Conservative Union, 2021)

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