



Statement from Councilmembers Kathy Stewart, Paul E. Ridley, and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gay Donnell Willis on the 287(g) program

(Dallas, TX, October 22, 2025) – Councilmembers Stewart, Ridley, and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Willis issued the following statement in response to Mayor Johnson’s request for a joint Public Safety and Government Efficiency meeting to brief the Committee Members on the ICE 287(g) program.

“We the undersigned, anticipate a robust discussion of ICE’s 287(g) program and the possibility of the Dallas Police Department entering into a 287(g) agreement with the Federal Government. It is appropriate for elected officials to determine the City’s stance on this important issue in a public forum.

Immigration enforcement is the responsibility of the federal government. The Dallas Police Department’s responsibility is to address the public safety priorities of our residents.

We fully support our sworn officers in keeping all Dallas residents safe and share Chief Comeaux’s commitment to strengthening community trust. Safe cities are built on the foundation of trust and mutual respect between its officers and the communities they serve.”

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Paul E. Ridley
Councilman, District 14

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Kathy Stewart
Councilwoman, District 10

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Gay Donnell Willis
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
Councilmember, District 13