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**Re:** Good Courage from CO Mennonites  
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Mennonite Sisters and Brothers:

We are members of the Fort Collins, CO Mennonite Fellowship, deeply saddened and aroused by news of the Arizona governor's 23 April signing of what many national observers consider the most regressive and mean-spirited law (SB 1070) in the land on immigration. We fear this law could lead to pervasive civil rights abuses by law enforcement authorities.

We welcome comment on your state's law, and word on how you may plan to address it, as your counsel may be useful to us in the coming struggle over revisiting national comprehensive immigration reform. Do share freely with us.

We know that Sojourners' Jim Wallis has called the Arizona statute "racial and social sin, to be denounced as such by people of faith and conscience across the nation." And we know full well that throughout the land, certainly including our own state, we have awesome shortfall in welcoming strangers in the path of Jesus.

Lay hold of God 's imperishable promises for the "new earth in which justice dwells" (2 Peter 3). Always dare to ask, "What does love for the least among us require?"

God bless your ministry in these dark and anxious times, fortifying you for bold witness to Christ's love and justice. For resisting the forces of fear, and living the love that casts out fear (2 John 4), our prayers attend you.

Christ's good courage to you, dear friends,

Cade and Mary Coldren  
Kevin Cross  
Ginny De Herdt  
Pamela Duncan  
Audrey Faulkner  
Susie and Paul Ford  
David and Mary Beth Freeman  
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