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Statement on the arrest of Judge Hannah Dugan

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This morning's news that Judge Hannah Dugan was arrested by federal authorities is shocking and upsetting. Judge Dugan should be afforded the same respect and due process that she has diligently provided others throughout her career.

Perhaps the most chilling part of Judge Dugan's arrest is the continued aggression by which the current administration in Washington, D.C. has weaponized federal law enforcement, such as ICE, against immigrant communities. As local elected officials, we are working daily to support our constituents who grow increasingly concerned and worried with each passing incident.

At the end of the day, for the sake of Judge Dugan, and our residents, we must be able to look back on this and see that the legal process was handled fairly and impartially. Judge Dugan deserves nothing less.