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Mark Kirk Supports Immigration Agreement

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Libertyville, IL - Congressman Mark Kirk announced he is in favor of a possible immigration agreement between Mexico and the United States.

Kirk was interviewed at the end of the first Immigration Forum which was held this past Monday, August 11th at Saint Joseph Church in Libertyville.

Surrounded by reporters from various media, Mark Kirk maintained that a pact with Mexico is necessary because "It is necessary to bring security."

He added that various countries need regularization for their citizens without mentioning any names. "they aren't terrorist countries and but they need it", he said referring to a possible immigration agreement.

The Forum on Immigration was organized by the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant Rights, the Office of Hispanic Catholics, Latinos Unidos of Lake County,

the Sikh Religious Society and the Islamic Foundation North.

The topics covered included obtaining a driver's license without a social security number, persecution against Arabs, Muslims and people who dress according to their cultural norms.

Among those presenting was Teresa Perez of the Ecclesiastic Communities Office which is based out of Holy Family Church. She reported the steady increase in the stopping of Hispanics for driving without a license in the City of Waukegan and the fines imposed upon them of over \$500.00

Bina Rahmecc of the Islamic Foundation North spoke about how he had been treated since the attacks of 9/11, because the manner of his dress arouses suspicion.

The Forum was presided over by Mark Kirk and at the end there was a series of reports and complaints by the citizens of the area regarding violations of their rights.



Mas de 360 personas de diferentes nacionalidades asistieron celebrado en Libertyville, IL. Las ponencias fueron muchas y inmigrante de Estados Unidos. (Foto Javier Quiroz)

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