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ICE Murder of Minneapolis Woman Leads to Grief, Anger, Sparks National Protests

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Millions of Americans are deeply saddened and increasingly angry about the murder of Renèe Nicole Good, a mother of three by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). Tens of thousands joined "ICE Out For Good" protests in a thousand towns and cities on January 10 and 11. In New York protestors signs read, "Abolish ICE Now!", "Masks Off! No Secret Police.", "Trump Must Go Now". Passing in front of Trump Tower protestors shouted, "Fuck Trump!"

ICE officers murdered Good, a 37-year-old white mother of three children, who was present at the scene of an ICE operation on January 7, 2026 to show solidarity with her community and its immigrants. When approached by agents, she attempted to drive away from the scene, but an agent fired three shots into the car, killing her. Good, an American-born U.S. citizen, who was described as a "devout Christian," was a writer and poet.

President Donald Trump, Vice-President J.D. Vance, and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Secretary Kristi Noem all claimed preposterously that Good was attacking the ICE agents. Noem called her a "domestic terrorist," saying she had been following and harassing the agents all day." The conservative news media and bloggers magnified the claims against Good, blaming her for her own murder. After the shooting, Trump announced that he was freezing food stamps in Minnesota. And Noem declared that because of alleged fraud by Somali immigrants in Minneapolis she was sending hundreds more ICE agents into Minneapolis, another provocation that will lead to more violence. All of this has infuriated people as much as the murder itself.

State and local officials decried Good's killing, blaming ICE for creating chaos, bringing violence and causing her death. Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey, a Democrat, told the press, "I have one word for ICE. Get the fuck out of Minneapolis. We don't want you here." Local authorities stated that ICE was preventing them from investigating the killing and demanded they be allowed to investigate. Minnesota governor Tim Walz, also a Democrat, called Good's killing, "preventable" and "unnecessary." We have someone dead in their car for no reason whatsoever." He declared that protesting the killing was "a patriotic duty." also said he was calling up the state National Guard to protect the people of Minnesota.

One can imagine a possible confrontation between the National Guard commanded by Democratic governor Walz and ICE commanded by Trump. Such a confrontation would allow Trump to invoke the Insurrection Act and send in the U.S. military to control the state.

"The killing of Renee Nicole Good was an abomination, a disgrace, and blood is clearly on the hands of those individuals within the administration who've been pushing an extreme policy that has nothing to do with immigration enforcement connected to removing violent felons from this country," said House minority leader Hakeem Jeffries. Senator Chris Murphy, a Democrat, is preparing legislation that would require ICE agents to have warrants for arrests and ban them from wearing masks when engaged in enforcement activities and prevent Border Patrol agents from operating far from the border. Some Democrats are threatening to withhold funding from ICE. "Democrats cannot vote for a [Department of Homeland Security] budget that doesn't restrain the growing lawlessness of this agency," said Murphy.

All of this increasing authoritarianism, violence, and cruelty explains the dark signs and slogans in the protest: SOS, Thirteenth Hour, and Fascism Is Coming.

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