



STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office of Governor Mark Dayton

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April 4, 2018

The Honorable Thomas D. Homan
Acting Director
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
500 12th Street Southwest
Washington, DC 20536

Re: Dr. Mzenga Wanyama
Alien Number: A070885623

Dear Director Homan:

I am writing to request that you use all possible prosecutorial discretion in order to allow Dr. Mzenga Wanyama to remain in the United States. I join in this request with a great many Minnesotans, including Senators Amy Klobuchar and Tina Smith, Congressman Keith Ellison, and Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey.

Dr. Wanyama is a great asset to Minnesota. He has dedicated himself to teaching the young minds, who attend Augsburg University. His deportation would be a terrible loss to the hundreds of students he influences and also to his family and friends, who love him. Deporting Dr. Wanyama would disrupt an entire community. Over 15,000 people have signed a petition supporting him, which evidences his wide support.

I ask you to use your authority to ensure that Dr. Wanyama can remain in our country. It is my understanding that the focus of your Administration is to deport those, who have committed crimes. Dr. Wanyama has no criminal record. Not only does he pose no threat to this country, but he is also an outstanding contributor to our state.

As Governor of Minnesota, I attest that he is fully welcome here. Please allow him to stay.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Dayton".

Mark Dayton
Governor

cc: Dr. Mzenga Wanyama