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Dear Ivanka Trump,

We are farm workers, and we are Americans. Please ask President Trump to help us achieve the same rights that all other workers in the country have. A state agency, the Agricultural Labor Relations Board, is trying to force us into a union without letting us choose.

On Tuesday, November 5, 2013 we voted to decertify the UFW union and Governor Jerry Brown and the ALRB still has not counted our votes 1683 days later. Last month a unanimous 3-judge panel of the State Court of Appeal ordered our votes to be counted and as of today Jerry Brown and the ALRB refuse to count our votes.

None of us ever voted for a union. There has never been a contract at the company. For many years we have earned the industry's highest wages. The union disappeared more than a quarter century ago, and suddenly came back to make us pay union dues or lose our jobs.

We protested by the thousands, and finally the labor board had to run an election, but now they refuse to count our votes! Instead, Jerry Brown's labor board says they want to destroy our votes so that we can revive the union that has lost 90% of its members.

Ninety-nine percent of the current workforce was not around when that election took place in 1990, and some were not even born yet. The state of California has already spent \$15 million taxpayer dollars to suppress our votes (more than \$5,000 per ballot).



Over 800 declarations that we signed were delivered to the ALRB and to Governor Jerry Brown. Where are they at? Are they going to help us? They continue to ignore us.

Please ask President Trump to support us. Please demand that the Agricultural Labor Relations board and California State Government count our votes. This is America. Our vote should count.

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The ALRB and UFW say we are dumb. They want people to think we don't know what is best for us. We know what we want!

On behalf of thousands of Latino immigrant farmworkers from Central California and the 99% of California's farmworkers thank you for your time and consideration.