

News from Congressman

Tom Lantos

12th Congressional District of California San Mateo/San Francisco

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE JUNE 18, 2004 FOR INFORMATION CALL Lynne Weil (202) 225-6735

Lantos Welcomes Senator Feinstein's Intervention in Plascencia Family's Immigration Case

Washington, DC – Congressman Tom Lantos today expressed his deep appreciation for Senator Dianne Feinstein's decision to introduce a private bill on behalf of Alfredo and Maria Plascencia, who face imminent removal from the United States after living here and raising a family for more than 15 years. Lantos made the following comment on the case:

"I am gratified that Senator Feinstein has chosen to use every tool at her disposal, as I have, to try to help this family. The Plascencias have been caught in an unfortunate bureaucratic trap; my intervention brought the Plascencias and their lawyers six months to seek alternative solutions. Now that this period is about to be exhausted, Senator Feinstein's efforts could not come at a better time."

###