

## Statement on SB 1070 in the U.S. Supreme Court

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Today, the United States Supreme Court heard oral arguments regarding the constitutionality of Arizona's anti-immigrant legislation, SB 1070. Arizona's misguided attempt at enforcing immigration policy through SB 1070 is not only unconstitutional, but has also torn at the social and moral fabric of families, communities, and America as a whole.

As someone who was placed in Japanese internment camps during World War II, I know all too well the effects of scapegoating and racial profiling. SB 1070 has opened the floodgates in allowing law enforcement to unfairly target and racially profile minority communities, leaving already vulnerable individuals feeling suspect or inferior due to their skin color.

As Immigration Taskforce Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, I urge the Supreme Court to uphold our constitutional rights and to ensure that all Americans – no matter their immigration status – are treated equally under the law.