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ABOLISH ICE
THIS BOOK IS DEDICATED TO EVERY MOTHER WHO SACRIFICES TO MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE FOR EVERYONE
My mom has a special job that's sort of hard to explain. She works with love and can make the world change. She uses her love to change things for the better. My mom melts ice and keeps families together.
She doesn’t dress up in a costume and mask but she’s a super hero who is always up for the task.
WHEN PEOPLE MAKE A JOURNEY TO A NEW COUNTRY LIKE OURS, MY MOM HELPS THEM ALONG USING ALL OF HER POWERS.
There are times where the world can grow cold and unfair and if you aren't careful you can fall into an ice lair.
No one wants to be in an ice lair alone.
They need all the help they can get to find their way home.
MY MOM USES LOVE
AND FRIENDSHIP AND MIGHT
TO MELT THE ICE DOWN
AND BRING IN THE LIGHT
She works with her friends and people in the community. She spreads happiness and love and friendship and unity.
SHE TURNS WALLS OF ICE INTO RIVERS AND PONDS WHERE WE CAN SPLASH AND PLAY AND ALL GET ALONG
OUR WORLD IS BETTER
WITHOUT WALLS THAT DIVIDE
OUR LOVE AND HUMANITY
THAT WE ALL HOLD INSIDE
She uses her voice, her heart and her mind to fight for what's right by being smart and kind.

My mom is a hero and a freedom fighter. When I grow up I hope I can be just like her.
Immigrant Defense Advocates (IDA) was formed in 2020.

The mission of IDA is to end policies that detain, dehumanize and destroy immigrant communities.

Find out more at imadvocates.org.
Jackie Gonzalez is an attorney and mom of two and illustrated this book. She has been working to melt ice in California for over a decade. Her family is originally from Cuba and Argentina, where their ice stays in their drinks or on their mountains, where it belongs.

Hamid Yazdan Panah is an attorney and wrote this book. He is an Iranian refugee and relocated to this country when he was 3. He hopes to melt ice and travel down the rivers to uncharted and free oceans.