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## **Farmworker Justice to Join Thousands on National Mall for Immigration Reform**

*A Broad Coalition Will Call for Congressional Action  
During the March for Immigrant Dignity and Respect*

WASHINGTON, DC – On October 8<sup>th</sup>, Farmworker Justice’s President Bruce Goldstein will join tens of thousands of individuals and families in the “Camino Americano” on the National Mall. The rally, concert and march will draw attention to Congress’ failure to address our broken immigration system that affects millions. The event culminates a weekend of actions in 89 cities in celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month.

“Immigration reform is an issue that has dire consequences for millions of people,” said Goldstein. “Congressional inaction is irresponsible, and its members need to understand the impact of this failure.”

“As Farmworker Justice seeks to protect the health and rights of those who labor daily to put food on our tables, it is evident that access to immigration status is essential. Every day thousands of farmworkers live and work in fear, unable to secure immigration status and subject to discrimination.

“While thousands of undocumented farmworkers live in the shadows, it’s the responsibility of those who can to speak out,” said Goldstein.

The event will begin with a concert on the mall at 12pm between 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> streets. Participants will then march towards the Capitol at 3pm.

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***Farmworker Justice** is a nonprofit organization that seeks to empower migrant and seasonal farmworkers to improve their living and working conditions, immigration status, health, occupational safety and access to justice.*