

Mothers on the Move / Madres en Movimiento

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To whom it may concern:

Mothers on the Move / Madres en Movimiento is very pleased to hear of Breny Herrera's plans to visit New York City July 6-8, 2009. We would like to invite her to visit our organization and share information with our members regarding her experience and success defending water rights in her native country of El Salvador. We are eager to learn how her country and her perspective have changed now that the FMLN has won the presidential elections and the people's movement has new access to power. Ms. Herrera's experience as a legislator and now in the mayoral office is sure to give us insight as to how to work within a system to achieve desired change.

Mothers on the Move is a member-led grassroots organization in the South Bronx dedicated to housing, youth and environmental justice. Our neighborhoods are some of the poorest in the nation, and many of our people originally come from Latin America, including El Salvador. We believe that by bringing people together, shared experiences and perspectives can create successful campaigns to improve people's immediate and long term quality of life. We look forward to strategizing with Ms. Herrera to build local consciousness that will lead to global solutions to poverty, contamination and repression.

We understand Ms. Herrera has an appointment with our embassy this Monday morning to interview for her visa. We support Ms. Herrera's request wholeheartedly, and will work to ensure she is supported during her time in New York.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Wanda Salaman, Executive Director