

April 3rd, 2025

Dear Riley Family,

The passage of time does not soften the absence and pain caused by the unjust loss of your beloved Laken. We write to express our deepest and most heartfelt sorrow. As leaders, parents, and advocates for justice, we share in your profound grief.

The memory of Laken's vibrant life remains vivid, and the senseless act that took her continues to deeply resonate with us. While no words can truly alleviate your pain, please know that from Venezuela, we stand with you in unwavering remembrance and in our commitment to a future where such tragedies are never repeated.

We are heartbroken by the senseless murder of your precious Laken. No words can undo this profound pain, but please accept our deepest condolences as we mourn with you from the very heart of Venezuela.

Laken's life, full of potential and promise, was tragically cut short by an individual who should never have been allowed to cross your border. We believe this act is a direct consequence of Nicolás Maduro's regime, which has fostered an environment where criminal organizations like the Tren de Aragua can flourish with impunity. These groups are not merely criminal entities but rather extensions of a rogue state that has transformed Venezuela into a haven for organized crime, including human trafficking, drug smuggling, and terror.

We are resolutely committed to dismantling these criminal networks. As the incoming democratic government of Venezuela, we pledge to defeat the Maduro regime and rebuild our nation into one where such horrors are eradicated. We will hold accountable all those responsible for the devastation they have wrought, both within Venezuela and internationally.

While no words can truly ease your anguish, we are determined to prevent future tragedies like this from occurring. We solemnly pledge to dedicate all our efforts to ensure such a devastating loss never happens again. Furthermore, we intend to establish a comprehensive framework for reparations, both for the countless Venezuelans harmed by this narco-state and also for victims abroad, including your family. You deserve our steadfast support as well as justice.

Please know this: we stand with you in sorrow and in the pursuit of justice. Maduro's regime has not only destroyed countless Venezuelan lives but has also forced many of our citizens to seek refuge elsewhere. We want to assure you that the vast majority of Venezuelans who have sought safety in the United States are committed to upholding

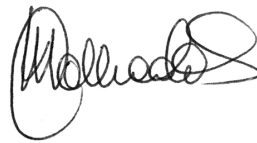
the law and contributing positively to your nation's economy and society. They long for the day they can return home to reunite with their families and work towards building a free and prosperous Venezuela. We look forward to welcoming them back to a free Venezuela.

Please accept this letter as a message of our deepest condolence and a solemn promise: Laken will never be forgotten. She will be remembered as an innocent victim of tyranny and a powerful catalyst for the change we are determined to bring about.

With heartfelt sorrow and unwavering resolve,

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Edmundo González Urrutia
President-Elect of Venezuela

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'María Corina Machado', with a stylized, flowing script.

María Corina Machado
Leader of the Democratic Opposition