# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW IMMIGRATION COURT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

In the Matter of:	)
Kary DIAZ MARTINEZ	) File No.: A 245 945 724
In Removal Proceedings	
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#### AFFIDAVIT OF WILIZ DE LEON CORDERO

I, Wiliz De Leon Cordero, being duly sworn, affirm under the pains and penalties of perjury that the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. This affidavit was drafted with the assistance of my attorneys based on oral communications to them in Spanish and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

#### Personal Background

- 1. My name is Wiliz De Leon Cordero. I am 40 years old. I am the husband of Kary Diaz Martinez. Since Kary was detained, I've become depressed. It is difficult to leave home to go to work. The lights and the gas in my home are turned off and I cannot bring myself to do anything about it. When I am not working, I spend my time pacing around my house, thinking about what Kary is going through. I need to see a doctor about my depression and pain but I just stay home waiting for Kary's release. Since Kary arrived in Providence, we spend all of our time together. Her arrest is the first time that we haven't seen each other every day.
- 2. I was born in Azua, Dominican Republic. I became a naturalized citizen of the United States in 2014. I moved to Providence, Rhode Island in 2017. Currently, I have three jobs to provide for my family. I drive for uber, work for Ocean State Behavioral in children's services, and work part time in the kitchen at Mangos Restaurant. With Ocean State Behavioral, I volunteer and play sports with the children placed in my care. I like this job because I help children with difficulties and am a mentor to the child I primarily work with. At Mangos Restaurant I've learned valuable kitchen skills that I will use once I open my own restaurant. I also like this job because I work to feed and deliver hot meals to the elderly people in the community.

## Kary and I met and fell in love in the Dominican Republic

3. I met Kary when I was visiting Azua in 2021. Kary worked in a furniture store, and we talked about the inventory. The store did not have the furniture I was looking for, but I asked Kary for her phone number to keep in touch. We began a long-distance

relationship. Kary and I fell in love. Kary is a very attentive and loving person to me and our families. Kary treats my daughter as her own and takes care of her nephew with autism. She treats me with love and kindness. This year on my birthday, Kary surprised me with three gifts, morning, noon, and night, to make my birthday special.

4. Kary told me about her life in the Dominican Republic while we were in a long-distance relationship. Kary was studying to become a teacher to better her education. Kary told me she was also scared to be in the Dominican Republic because her ex-partner and the father of her children often hit her and threatened her. She was scared of her ex-partner and traumatized by the relationship. She did not like being alone with men and she had a hard time trusting men because of all the abuse she had suffered.

### Kary is a very supportive and loving wife

- 5. In April of 2024, Kary came to the United States and lived with me, my sister Adelca De Leon, and my daughter Ambar De Leon. Kary has a great relationship with my sister and is an amazing stepmother to my daughter. In the time Kary has lived in the United States, she and my daughter have grown very close and love each other very much. Kary also goes to church and made plans to convert to Catholicism. Kary always follows the rules, makes friends wherever she goes, and has never had a problem with anyone.
- 6. In May 2025, Kary, Ambar, and I moved to a new home in Providence. On May 31, 2025, Kary and I got married. Kary and I had big plans for our lives together as husband and wife. We wanted to have kids and open a restaurant together. I currently work part time for a restaurant and Kary helps me deliver food and wash dishes. She is a hard worker and a very supportive wife.
- 7. When Kary and I went to court on June 3, 2025, we were scared to go but we wanted to follow the law and do things the right way. I was hopeful that everything would turn out alright that day because Kary is a good person that has never been in any legal trouble. I was positive that she would come home with me after the immigration hearing.

# Since Kary was detained, my physical and mental health have suffered

- 8. When Kary was taken from us by ICE, it was the worst day of my life. Since then, my physical and mental health have taken a turn for the worse. I can't sleep or eat. I constantly worry about Kary.
- 9. When I speak with Kary on the phone, my heart breaks. She can't eat or shower where they have her. Her body hurts and her hair is falling out from the stress. She has to sleep on a hard floor, and she has no bed and no blankets. She says it's freezing there, and she is very scared.
- 10. Whenever I speak with Kary, she is always crying. She is scared and traumatized. She needs us and we need her back. My family has not been the same since she was taken from us.

11. I hope that Kary is released and comes back home. Kary is a sensitive person that has never experienced getting in trouble with the law. Being detained has traumatized her, and she will need mental health care. I miss my wife and I hope we can continue working towards a future together when she's released. I don't know what I'll do without her and she needs me too.

Signed, under the pains and penalty of perjury of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This declaration has been read to me in my native language of Spanish. It is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I understand its meaning.

Dated: June 11, 2025

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