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STATEMENT OF MAYRA CASTANEDA

I believe I was fired because my coworkers and I spoke up for our patients and the continuous staffing crisis. On multiple occasions, my co-workers and I raised these concerns to management. Unfortunately, our protests fell on deaf ears.

We had no other choice but to get support from our public officials. I and my co-workers obtained letters of support from public officials and on November 30, 2023, delivered the letters of support along with documentation demonstrating that Prime Health and St. Francis' actions were detrimentally affecting patient care.

As health care workers, we have an obligation to speak up for proper patient care.

My 8 co-workers and I attempted to meet with Prime executives, and all 9 of us were terminated. It's a clear example that Prime Healthcare is trying to silence and deter the healthcare workers from protesting like we did.

As a frontline healthcare worker for 25 years, I could no longer look the other way or be afraid to speak up for our patients and coworkers.

Our patients deserve better, my coworkers deserve better working conditions. This retaliation tactic will not stop us, frontline healthcare workers from speaking the truth.

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