

JACKSON LEADS 5,000 PROTESTING IMMIGRATION BILL

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Body

The Rev. Jesse **Jackson** led a march of an estimated **5,000** people today to **protest** raids conducted by the **Immigration** and Naturalization Service and pending **immigration** legislation.

In a style reminiscent of the civil rights era, the candidate walked at the head of the mile-long march up Broadway. Those marching at the front with him, arms entwined, included Latinos, Asian-Americans, blacks and whites. Rev Jesse **Jackson leads** march of estimated **5,000** people to **protest** raids conducted by **Immigration** and Naturalization Service and pending **immigration** legislation, Los Angeles, Calif; those marching at front of demonstration include Latinos, Asian-Americans, blacks and whites (S)

Mr. **Jackson** is vigorously trying to make more visible his Rainbow Coalition of various ethnic and interest groups in this state, which holds its primary June 5 and has those groups in significant numbers. Last week he appeared before a group of Asian-Americans, homosexuals and Hispanic people.

Seeking a Wider Base

Aides to Mr. **Jackson** said that California offered the opportunity to make his varied support more visible than it had been. He has steadily swept the black vote while gaining only slight white support, polls show.

The civil rights leader underscored the theme of the various groups at a rally on the south lawn of City Hall, where the march ended.

"I want to congratulate all of the non- Latinos who are here today," he said. "Unfortunately too many for too long have seen the **immigration** issue as purely a Latino problem. As a consequence, Latinos have had to fight largely on their own."

But he said his Rainbow Coalition had embraced their cause, and he compared the pending **bill** to pre-Civil War classification of any black as three- fifths of a person and to the interning of Japanese-Americans in World War II.

'Virtual Hysteria' Cited

The **bill** would impose sanctions on employers who hire illegal aliens, grant amnesty to those who have been in the country illegally for a set period of time, allow the temporary entry of some noncitizens for seasonal labor and permit wider latitude to Federal agencies in seeking out undocumented workers and preventing their return.

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"There is a virtual hysteria against the undocumented, fanned by the last two Administrations, that allows such inhumane treatment to continue," Mr. **Jackson** said. "This hysteria is fueled by a combination of myth, stereotype, meanness and political expediency."

Perhaps the one indicator today that the enthusiasm of the crowd for Mr. **Jackson** was not completely representative was the absence of Cesar Chavez, president of the United Farm Workers, who is an opponent of the **bill**. The rally organizers said Mr. Chavez would be there. Dolores Huerta, vice president of the union, who did attend, said both the march organizers and **Jackson** campaign officials knew that was never the case.

She explained that the union had not endorsed any candidate. Although she and others favored Mr. **Jackson's** approach, there was a loyalty in the union to former Vice President Walter F. Mondale "which can't be negated." He, like Mr. **Jackson**, opposes the **immigration** proposal now before Congress. The other candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination, Senator Gary Hart, has opposed some provisions of the **bill**, and supported an amendment to it which many Hispanic leaders feel is not adequate.

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