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Ode to Sonia Melara

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Dear brave Sonia Melara
You are responsible for accomplishing goals as an executive director
You make the world bright like the stars

Dear brave Sonia Melara
You co-founded the first shelter in California for survivors of domestic violence, wow!
You are sweet like ice cream

Dear brave Sonia Melara
You risked your life to come here
I hear the clapping of the people that you have helped

Dear brave Sonia Melara
You served as National Director of leadership programs at the MALDEF
You are a breath of fresh air

Dear brave Sonia Melara
You serve on the national advisory commission on juvenile justice and delinquency prevention

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You are soft as a flower

Dear brave Sonia Melara

You ignored ones who did not believe in domestic violence and supported the survivors

I hope you know how much we appreciate you

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