November 20, 2018

Dear Leader Pelosi,

We, the undersigned 326 national, state and local education, civil and human rights, LGBT, labor, national security, faith, and immigrants’ rights organizations, call on the incoming, Democratic-controlled House of Representatives to bring to the floor and send to the Senate, clean, stand-alone legislation that would provide a path to citizenship for Dreamers and recipients of Temporary Protected Status (TPS) within the first 100 days of the 116th Congress.

In the 115th Congress, the Dream Act of 2017 (H.R. 3440) and the American Promise Act (H.R. 4253) enjoy broad support. Because the communities addressed by these two bills have so much in common, often are part of the same families, and share an urgent need for relief, we urge you to package them together and bring them to the House floor as soon as possible after the 116th Congress convenes.

Over the past two years, the Trump administration has taken aggressive steps to terminate the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, which has provided protection from deportation and work authorization to more than 820,000 participants, and to trigger the expiration of TPS for more than 300,000 people -- 99% of current recipients. Although lower court rulings are keeping some of these protections in place for now, the administration is moving quickly to reverse those rulings and expose these long-standing community members to the threat of deportation as soon as possible.

Immigrant youth and TPS recipients live, work, study, and are a part of our communities in every congressional district, and they are the parents, spouses, and siblings of hundreds of thousands of U.S. citizens. Eliminating their status after so many years would separate countless families and needlessly disrupt settled, productive lives and businesses.

Providing permanent relief to immigrant youth and TPS recipients is the right thing to do, not only for them, but also for the country. Doing so could increase the nation’s gross domestic product (GDP) by more than $1 trillion over the next ten years and raise the average per capita incomes of all Americans. In states devastated in recent years by unprecedented natural disasters, including California, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Texas, and Virginia, tens of thousands of people with TPS currently work in construction, literally helping to rebuild damaged communities.

As Democrats develop an agenda focused on solving problems, you have the opportunity to pass legislation offering permanent protections to Dreamers and TPS recipients who are now living with great fear and uncertainty. We ask that you do so within the first 100 days of the 116th Congress.

Sincerely,
National Organizations
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32BJ SEIU
ACCESS
Action Group Network
Advancing Justice-Asian Law Caucus
Advocates for Youth
African American Ministers In Action
African Communities Together
Alianza Americas
Ameinu Detroit
America Team for Displaced Eritreans
America's Voice
American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees (AFSCME)
American Federation of Teachers (AFT)
American Friends Service Committee
American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee
Americans for Democratic Action (ADA)
Amnesty International USA
Anti-Defamation League
Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF)
Asian Americans Advancing Justice | AAJC
Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs
AsylumConnect
Autistic Self Advocacy Network
Bend the Arc: Jewish Action
Bread for the World
Casa de Esperanza: National Latin@ Network for Healthy Families and Communities
Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc.
Center for American Progress
Center for International Policy
Center for Law and Social Policy
Center for Popular Democracy
CenterLink: The Community of LGBT Centers
Central Pastoral Office for Hispanic Ministries-Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Christian Community Development Association
Church Women United in New York State
Church World Service
Coalition on Human Needs
Communications Workers of America (CWA)
Community Change
Conference of Superiors of Men (Catholic)
Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd, US Provinces
CREDO
Daily Kos
Democrats for Education Reform
Detention Watch Network
Disciples Center for Public Witness
Disciples Refugee & Immigration Ministries
Disciples Women
Earthjustice
Ecumenical Poverty Initiative
Educators for Excellence
Equal Rights Advocates
Fair Immigration Reform Movement (FIRM)
Faith in Public Life
Families Belong Together
Family Equality Council
Farmworker Justice
Fondasyon Mapou
FORGE, Inc.
Franciscan Action Network
Franciscan Sisters of the Poor, US Area
Friends Committee on National Legislation
Futures Without Violence
Hispanic Federation
Hispanic Health Network
Human Rights First
Ignatian Solidarity Network
Immigrant Legal Resource Center
Immigration Equality Action Fund
Immigration Hub
In Our Own Voice: National Black Women's Reproductive Justice Agenda
Indivisible
Institute for Justice & Democracy in Haiti
Interfaith Worker Justice
International Brotherhood of Teamsters
International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers
International Rescue Committee
Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States-Office of Justice and Ecology
Justice in Motion
Laborers International Union of America
Lambda Legal
Latin America Working Group
Latino Victory Project
Lawyers for Good Government
Leadership Conference of Women Religious
League of Women Voters of the United States
Legal Aid at Work
Local Progress
Lott Carey International
Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service
Main Street Alliance
MALDEF
Mi Familia Vota
MomsRising
MoveOn
MPact Global Action for Gay Men’s Health and Rights
MPower Change
Muslim Public Affairs Council
National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd
National Association for College Admission Counseling
National Association of Secondary School Principals
National Association of Social Workers
National Black Justice Coalition
National Center for Lesbian Rights
National Center for Transgender Equality
National Coalition Against Domestic Violence
National Council of Churches
National Council of Jewish Women
National Domestic Workers Alliance
National Employment Law Project
National Employment Lawyers Association
National Equality Action Team (NEAT)
National Health Law Program
National Immigrant Justice Center
National Immigration Law Center
National Korean American Service & Education Consortium (NAKASEC)
National Latina Institute for Reproductive Health
National LGBTQ Task Force Action Fund
National Network for Arab American Communities
National Organization of Sisters of Color Ending Sexual Assault
National Partnership for New Americans
National Resource Center on Domestic Violence (NRCDV)
National TPS Alliance
National Women's Law Center
NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice
NIAC Action
North American Pacific Asian Disciples
OCA-Asian Pacific American Advocates
Office of Social Justice of the Christian Reformed Church of North America
ORANGE COUNTY UNITED WAY
Oxfam America
Pax Christi USA
PeopleDemandingAction
People's Action
Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR)
Pilipino American Unity for Progress, Inc.
Planned Parenthood Federation of America
Reinforcing Ironworkers
Scalabrini International Migration Network
School Social Work Association of America
Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, Institute Justice Team
South Asian Americans Leading Together (SAALT)
South East Asia Faith Initiatives
Southeast Asia Resource Action Center
Southern Border Communities Coalition
T'ruah: The Rabbinic Call for Human Rights
Teach Plus
The Advocates for Human Rights
The Black Alliance for Just Immigration
The Haiti-Jamaica Society
The International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and
The International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers
The International Union of Painters and Allied Trades
The National Council of Asian Pacific Americans (NCAPA)
The Yemen Peace Project
Truman National Security Project
U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants
UltraViolet
UndocuBlack Network
UnidosUS (formerly National Council of La Raza)
Union for Reform Judaism
Union of Liberian Associations in America (ULAA)
UNITE HERE
United Church of Christ Justice and Witness Ministries
United Food and Commercial Workers International Union
United for a Fair Economy
United Front of the Haitian Diaspora
United We Dream
Voices for Progress
Voto Latino
Washington Office on Latin America
Win Without War
Witness to Mass Incarceration
Women's March
Working Families United
Yemeni American Merchants Association
Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights
Young Invincibles
YWCA USA
State and Local Organizations
350 Seattle
AB540 Ally Training Project
ACER, Inc.
Adhikaar
Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc.
Advocates for Immigrant Rights and Reconciliation
African Career Education & Resource Inc.
Alabama Coalition for Immigrant Justice
Alianza
American Immigration Lawyers Association, South Florida Chapter
Americans for Immigrant Justice
Arkansas United
Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Atlanta
Asian Americans Advancing Justice-LA
Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council
Association of Haitian Women, Inc.
Asylee Women Enterprise
Black Immigrant Collective
Boston Missionary Baptist Community Center, Inc.
Burien People Power
Cabrini Immigrant Services of NYC, Inc.
CAIR-MN
CAIR-Sacramento Valley
CAIR-San Francisco Bay Area
California Partnership
CASA
Casa Latina
Casa San Jose
CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Catholic Legal Services, Archdiocese of Miami
Catholic Social Services, Arch-Diocese of Philadelphia
Causa Oregon
Central American Legal Assistance
Central American Resource Center, DC
Central American Resource Center, Los Angeles
Central American Resource Center, San Francisco
Centro Presente
Chelsea Collaborative
Church of Our Saviour/La Iglesia de Nuestro Salvador
Club Nueva Vision de Cheranastico
Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA)
Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition
Colorado Latino Leadership, Advocacy, & Leadership Organization (CLLARO)
Colorado People's Alliance
Community Visions Burien
Comunidades Unidas/Communities United
Council on American Islamic Relations, New York
CRECEN
Crossing Borders-Dubuque
Dream Project
Dykeman Donovan Theater Lab
El Centro de Igualdad y Derechos
Equality California
Equality North Carolina
Families Rights Network
Family Action Network Movement (FANM)
FANM, Inc.
Filipinx for Immigrant Rights and Racial Justice, MN
Florida Immigrant Coalition (FLIC)
Greater New York Labor Religion Coalition
Haitian-Americans United, Inc.
Haitian Bridge Alliance
Haitian Lawyers Association
Hispanic Unity of Florida, Inc.
Human Rights Observation/Honduras
IFSI-USA
Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights
Illinois Conference of the United Church of Christ
Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota
Immigrant Legal Center of Boulder County
Intercommunity Justice and Peace Center
Intercultural Counseling Connection
International Center of Kentucky
International Institute of Buffalo
International Institute of New England
Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement
Junta for Progressive Action
Justice For Our Neighbors-East Texas
Kansas Missouri Dream Alliance
Kentucky Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights
Kentucky Equal Justice Center
La Union del Pueblo Entero
Latin American Coalition
Latino Community Fund
Latino Initiative on Restorative Justice, Inc.
Lowcountry Immigration Coalition
Maine People's Alliance
Make the Road NY
Massachusetts Communities Action Network
Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition
Massachusetts Law Reform Institute
Michigan United
MinKwon Center for Community Action
Minneapolis NAACP
National Lawyers Guild-Los Angeles Chapter
Nationalities Service Center
Navigate Mn/Unidos Mn
Nebraska Appleseed
New Era Colorado
New Hampshire Alliance for Immigrant Rights
NHCUCC Immigrant and Refugee Support Group
Northern Manhattan Coalition for Immigrant Rights
OneAmerica
Orange County Congregation Community Organization
Orange County Civic Engagement Table
Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship Coalition
Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste
Progressive Leadership Alliance for Nevada
Promise Arizona
RAICES
Sant La Haitian Neighborhood Center
Santa Clara County Wage Theft Coalition
SEIU UHW Latino Caucus
Services, Immigrant Rights, and Education Network (SIREN)
Sisters of Saint Joseph of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, PA
Somos Un Pueblo Unido
South Asian Fund For Education, Scholarship And Training (SAFEST)
South Florida LCLAA
Southern Poverty Law Center
SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN IMMIGRANT PROJECT (SSIP)
St. Andrew Lutheran Church
Strengthening Sanctuary of Olympia
Sunflower Community Action
Tacoma Community House
Tenants Union of Washington State
Tennessee Immigrant & Refugee Rights Coalition
Texas Organizing Project
The Door's Legal Services Center
The LGBT Center OC
The New York Immigration Coalition
The Reformed Church of Highland Park
The Synergy Partnership at CACCD UMass Boston
Trans(forming)
Union Church
Ventura County Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice
Voces de la Frontera
Wallingford Indivisible
Washington State League of United Latin American Citizens
Wayne Action for Racial Equality
WeCount!
Western NC Sanctuary Movement
Wind of the Spirit Immigrant Resource Center
Workers Defense Project
Youth Co-Op, Inc.