

June 15, 2022

**The Honorable Nancy Pelosi**  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

**The Honorable Chuck Schumer**  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

**The Honorable Kevin McCarthy**  
Republican Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

**The Honorable Mitch McConnell**  
Republican Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Majority Leader Schumer, and Republican Leaders McCarthy and McConnell:

In light of the tenth anniversary of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) policy and the ongoing litigation challenging it, the undersigned call on you to enact a bipartisan, permanent solution for Dreamers this Congress. As employers and business associations committed to a strong U.S. economy, we highly value the contributions of Dreamers in our workforces and communities and reiterate the urgent need to provide them with long-term certainty and stability in the only country they know as “home.”

For ten years, DACA has offered hope and promise by shielding hundreds of thousands of Dreamers from deportation and providing them with the ability to freely live and work in the U.S. These temporary protections have been invaluable, but ultimately Congress needs to enact legislation that makes them permanent for the existing DACA population and other Dreamers who meet DACA’s work, education, and good character eligibility requirements.

Dreamers make essential contributions to America’s economic well-being and are vital to the workforce. Approximately 343,000 DACA recipients have essential jobs as health care providers, educators, and critical workers helping to protect America’s food supply chain. Furthermore, DACA recipients and their households start businesses, create jobs, and contribute \$9.4 billion in tax revenue to federal, state, and local governments.

A federal court in Texas recently ruled that DACA is unlawful, and the case is currently on appeal before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. As the appeals court prepares to hear oral arguments on DACA’s legality next month, the fate of hundreds of thousands of DACA recipients and their families remains uncertain. It’s up to Congress to take action to prevent the needless disruptions in the lives of the individuals and family members that have benefited from the DACA policy.

Dreamers have established firm roots in the U.S., building lives, careers, and families here. Many do not have another place to call home and depriving these individuals from continuing to pursue their dreams in America will not only harm them and their families, but also leave our nation worse off. Congress must act now to pass bipartisan

legislation that provides Dreamers with permanent legal status so that they can continue living and working in the U.S. without fear of deportation.

Thank you,

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