

RESOLUTION ON PROTECTING "DREAMERS"

WHEREAS, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program under President Obama offered protections for undocumented immigrants who arrived in the U.S. as young children;

WHEREAS, "DREAMers" covered by the program know only the United States and have made a positive mark on the nation;

WHEREAS, Texas leadership has sadly been at the forefront of an order by the White House to repeal DACA, leaving the future of tens of thousands of young people in legal limbo and in fear of deportation;

WHEREAS, federal courts have suspended a previous March 5 deadline for DACA repeal, finding that President Trump likely did not follow the law in announcing the repeal – a ruling that is on appeal;

WHEREAS, Congress has failed to produce legislation that continues legal protections for DREAMers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that delegates call for Congress to take action to protect DREAMers and provide them an expeditious path to citizenship so they can move forward with their lives and put an end to the fear that they will be deported; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Congress should debate comprehensive immigration reform to address issues that affect the larger community of immigrants.

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