

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations, or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, in order to address Congress' repeated inability to pass the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act, on June 15, 2012 the Obama Administration created the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program which provided lawful resident status to immigrants who entered the US as children; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, DACA provided an education, employment, and security to young immigrants while demonstrating the effectiveness of a compassionate and common-sense immigration policy; and

WHEREAS, Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and Deferred Enforced Departure (DED), which provide temporary relief from removal to foreign nationals from designated countries, have been identified for reduction or elimination by the Trump Administration; and

WHEREAS, the cancellation of TPS and DED statuses have left over a million individuals residing the United States with an uncertain future, fearing deportation to dangerous situations or unfamiliar countries; and

WHEREAS, currently pending before the United States House of Representatives is H.R. 6 (Roybal-Allard), the American Dream and Promise Act of 2019, which would provide lawful resident status and a path to permanent resident status to immigrants who entered the United States as children or have been designated as eligible for Temporary Resident Status or Deferred Enforced Departure; and

WHEREAS, this bill would provide a path to permanent residence status to all those who are threatened by the cancellation of TPS and DED, ending the uncertainty which they have had to face as a result of the actions of the Trump Administration; and

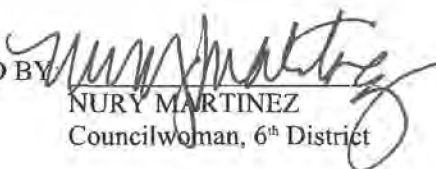
WHEREAS, by withdrawing aid and protections for vulnerable countries, the Trump Administration reinforces the tenuous conditions of those countries which cause migration and will directly place vulnerable individuals and families into conditions of physical danger; and

WHEREAS, California has a significant allocation of TPS and DACA recipients, giving us an obligation to ensure these families remain in a safe environment to live and raise their children; and


WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles consistently strives to support and advocate for all of its residents, regardless of immigration status, in order to ensure equity and the welfare of all City residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2019-2020 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for H.R. 6 (Roybal-Allard), the American Dream and Promise Act of 2019, which would provide lawful resident status and a path to permanent resident status to immigrants who entered the United States as children or have been designated as eligible for Temporary Resident Status or Deferred Enforced Departure.

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