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Coalition for the American Dream Urges Congress to Act on Dreamers

Leading Businesses, Trade Associations & Other Organizations Send New Letter to Congressional Leaders Asking for Permanent Legislative Solution This Year

WASHINGTON DC – Many of the nation’s top businesses, trade associations and other organizations that collectively represent virtually every industry supporting the American economy, sent a letter today to House and Senate Leaders in both parties urging Congress to pass a permanent legislative solution this year that allows Dreamers to continue to live and work in the United States.

The text of the letter is below and you can also view a copy of the letter as well as the full list of signees here - <https://www.coalitionfortheamericandream.us/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/Coalition-for-the-American-Dream-Letter.pdf>

With less than a month before Members of Congress will go home for the holidays, we urge you to pass legislation to enable Dreamers who are currently living, working, and contributing to our communities to continue doing so.

As companies and associations whose industries span the diverse breadth of our economy - including some that recently came to Washington with our Dreamer employees to speak to our elected representatives - we recognize firsthand their important contributions to our companies and our country. DACA recipients contribute billions of dollars to the GDP; they pay federal, state, and local taxes; they work at our companies, teach our children in school, and serve in our military. We were encouraged to see nearly 20 Republican House members join together recently to call for passage of legislation to protect Dreamers. Deporting hardworking young individuals would cost the U.S. economy hundreds of billions of dollars in lost GDP and \$24.6 billion in Social Security and Medicare tax contributions. An overwhelming majority of Americans of all political stripes - upward of 90% - agree that we should protect Dreamers from deportation.

Congress has the opportunity to show leadership in passing a permanent legislative solution and allowing Dreamers to continue to work toward the American dream. We urge you to pass legislation without further delay.

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