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Dear Senator Van Hollen, Senator Cardin and Senator Feinstein:

On behalf of the 500,000 men and women of the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA), a Union built by and for immigrants, I write to endorse S. 306, your legislation to protect recipients of the Temporary Protected Status (TPS) program. S. 306, the Safe Environment for Countries Under Repression and Emergency (SECURE) Act, would allow these valued members of our Union to remain in our country by protecting them from deportation to their still-unstable countries of origin.

The SECURE Act would protect workers from all TPS designated nations, and their immediate family members, who have had a continuous presence in the U.S. The Bill will give them a path to legal permanent resident status as well as eventual naturalization. Thousands of union members have lived and worked in our country for many years under TPS, paying taxes while supporting their families. Approximately thirty percent (30%) of TPS recipients work in the construction industry. These workers build America every day, and at the same time, build the U.S. economy.

The construction industry and all U.S. industries need to retain the expert workforce covered by the TPS program in order to continue to build America. S. 306, the SECURE Act, is needed to protect our Union members, and LIUNA is proud to endorse this Bill.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


TERRY O'SULLIVAN
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