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The Honorable Sylvia Garcia
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Dear Congresswoman Garcia:

On behalf of the more than 530,000 men and women of the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA), a union built by and for immigrants, I write to strongly endorse the reintroduction of your legislation to protect recipients of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), known as Dreamers, as well as those covered by the Temporary Protected Status (TPS) program. The Dream and Promise Act would allow these valued members of our union to remain in our country by protecting them from deportation permanently and giving them a path to citizenship.


This legislation would allow Dreamers, immigrants who have lived in the United States since childhood, to remain here. Dreamers have spent their lives contributing to this country and are as American as those born here, except for an immigration status beyond their control. These young immigrants deserve the chance to obtain lawful permanence and eventual citizenship.

The bill would also protect workers from all TPS-designated nations whose status was terminated. It will also protect the families of TPS holders, including hundreds of thousands of U.S. citizen children. The bill will give TPS holders a path to legal permanent resident status and eventual naturalization. TPS holders play a significant role in the construction industry; approximately thirty percent of TPS recipients work in construction. At a time when building America's infrastructure is more important than ever, we must keep TPS holders in our country.

Numerous union members have lived and worked in our country for years under DACA and TPS, paying taxes while supporting their families. These workers build America every day, and at the same time, build the U.S. economy. The Dream and Promise Act is greatly needed to protect our union members and their families, and our union is proud to endorse your bill.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


BRENT BOOKER
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