

AGN. NO.

MOTION BY SUPERVISORS HILDA L. SOLIS  
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On December 9, 2016, United States Senators Lindsey Graham (R-SC) and Dick Durbin (D-IL) announced the introduction of bipartisan legislation to protect young undocumented individuals should the new administration discontinue the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. The Bar Removal of Individuals who Dream and Grow our Economy (BRIDGE) Act would, like DACA, provide temporary relief from deportation and work authorization to young undocumented individuals who were brought to the United States as children.

The BRIDGE Act would offer protection to current DACA recipients and to those who are eligible for individuals eligible for DACA, namely individuals who came to the United States as minors, grew up in this country, have pursued an education, have not committed any serious crimes, and do not pose a threat to our country. An individual's provisional protected presence and employment authorization would be subject to revocation by DHS if the individual no longer met the eligibility criteria.

More than 350,000 young people currently protected by DACA reside in California. Hundreds of thousands more are eligible but have yet to apply for relief. These young people were brought to America by their parents and have subsequently demonstrated their commitment to the United States in countless ways—by launching businesses, becoming doctors and teachers, and serving in our military. Temporary protection under the BRIDGE Act would ensure that they can continue to contribute to our society while Congress debates broader legislation to fix our broken immigration system.

**WE, THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** direct the Chief Executive Officer to on January 21, 2017 send a 5-signature letter communicating this Board's support of the BRIDGE Act to the California Congressional delegation, to the Senate and House leadership, and to the President of the United States.

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