

Resolution #17-12

RESOLUTION CONDEMNING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S REPEAL OF THE DACA

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2016, Donald Trump was elected the 45th President of the United States after running on a platform threatening mass deportations, including overturning DACA and on September 4, President Donald Trump announced plans to rescind the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) which has provided protection to more than 800,000 immigrants who were brought to our country as young children, including 200,000 California and 57,000 Orange County DACA eligible residents: and

WHEREAS, DACA recipients have proven to be productive members of society in which 65,000 graduate high school and; 10,000 graduate college annually with an employment rate of 84% and who, although they are ineligible for any government benefits, contribute \$2 billion in taxes every year; and

WHEREAS, the repeal of DACA is not only a human tragedy which would result in families being torn apart and separated by international borders but would also result in major financial consequences estimated to total \$280 billion in lost economic productivity in the next decade.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Democratic Party of Orange County strongly condemns this destructive action and calls on all Orange County elected officials and candidates to publicly denounce this policy change and calls on Congress to immediately work toward passage of comprehensive immigration reform including a path to citizenship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Democratic Party of Orange County will prioritize it's support for organizing and advocacy efforts promoting comprehensive immigration reform including through prioritization of Latino and Asian and Pacific Islander community outreach and collaboration, development of a multilingual communications plan and working with community partners to host town halls on immigration in the coming months.

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