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*Linda T. Sánchez | Chairwoman*  
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President Barack Obama  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. President:

As members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC), we thank you for your leadership and support of immigrant families and communities during your Administration. Your leadership and your record stands in stark contrast to President-Elect Donald J. Trump.

In both its rhetoric and its appointments, the incoming administration has demonized immigrant families. This is not the immigrant community we know. The immigrant communities that make up our constituencies are filled with hardworking students, dedicated parents, tireless workers, and valued neighbors. In 2012, you announced the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program to provide DREAMers an opportunity to continue contributing to their communities, expand their educational opportunities, and even buy their first homes. DACA has been transformational for many of our constituents.

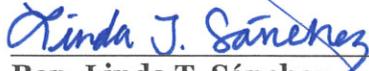
As we prepare for the campaign threats of the new administration to be made real--threats that demonized immigrants and vows to tear families apart--our communities have come to us in fear and we ask you again, in your final days, to continue standing with us.

We request immediate action on the following:

- 1) Protection of DREAMers and their families through any legal means possible.
- 2) Protection of the confidential and personal information that DREAMers and other immigrants have provided to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).
- 3) Adjudication of pending initial DACA applications and DACA renewals as quickly as possible.

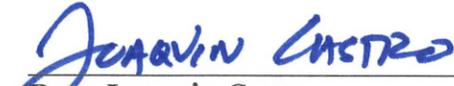
Immigrants contribute economically, and more than that, they make our country great. They are Americans in every way but on paper. So we ask that you stand with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus in shielding DREAMers and their parents. We also ask that you meet with us to discuss how we can support you and the requests we have laid out in your remaining time in office. Please reach out to us should you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

  
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Senator Robert Menendez

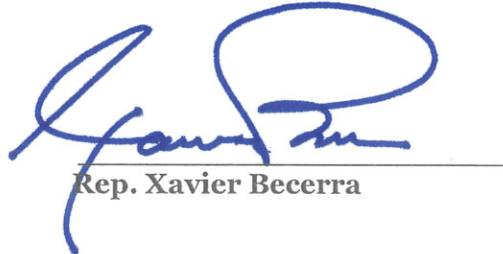
  
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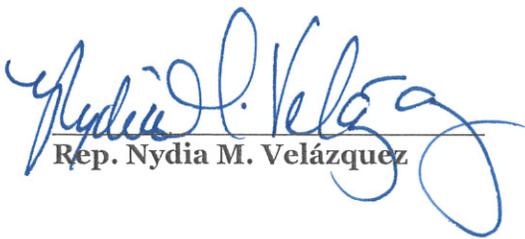
  
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