

[Resolution to Protect Our DACA Youth Against President Trump]

Resolution denouncing the removal of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program and urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to provide support for undocumented youth.

WHEREAS, DACA is a federal government program created in 2012 under Barack Obama to allow people brought to the United States as undocumented children the temporary right to live, study and work in America; and

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2017 President Trump and Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced the intent to rescind the DACA Program¹; and

WHEREAS, Congress has six months to pass a replacement for DACA²; and

WHEREAS, removing DACA will put 800,000 “DREAMers” (those protected under DACA and ranging from ages 16 to 31), in danger of losing their job, being divided from their families and their communities, and possibly being deported^{3 4}; and

WHEREAS, a quarter of DREAMers are located here in California and are being heavily affected by the removal of DACA^{1 3}; and

WHEREAS, according to The William Institute, there are over 75,000 LGBTQ+ DREAMERS in the U.S. and over 36,000 have participated in DACA⁵; and

¹ Trump Moves to End DACA and Calls on Congress to Act
Michael D. Shear And Julie Hirschfeld Davis - <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/09/05/us/politics/trump-daca-dreamers-immigration.html>

² Ending the 'Dreamers' Program Could Cost Hundreds of Thousands of Jobs
Alana Abramson - <http://amp.timeinc.net/fortune/2017/08/31/daca-dreamers-jobs-donald-trump/?source=dam>

³ How much money a DACA repeal could cost every state
Skye Garfield - <http://www.businessinsider.com/what-is-daca-and-how-much-will-it-cost-the-us-2017-9>

⁴ DACA deportations would cost billions for states like California, Texas and Illinois
John Schoen - <https://www.cnbc.com/2017/09/05/daca-deportations-could-cost-us-economy-more-than-400-billion.html>

⁵A think tank at UCLA Law dedicated to conducting rigorous, independent research on sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy. <https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/>

1 WHEREAS, the vast majority of LGBTQ+ DACA participants live in California, Texas, Illinois,
2 New York, and Florida⁶; and

3 WHEREAS, the removal of DACA puts DREAMers in the LGBTQ+ community in danger of
4 deportation back to countries where the members of the LGBTQ+ community are prosecuted and
5 even murdered⁷; and

6 WHEREAS, 1 million undocumented youth are eligible to receive DACA assistance and have
7 the potential of increasing the United States' gross domestic product if DACA is reinstated via
8 legislature^{3 4 8 9}; and

9 WHEREAS, deportations of DACA recipients will cost the Federal government half a trillion
10 dollars in taxes^{3 4 8 9}; and

11 WHEREAS, California gross domestic product loss will be an estimated 11.6 billion dollars in
12 potential annual losses³; and

13 WHEREAS, the unemployment of DREAMers will have the potential to disrupt small
14 businesses which has the potential of disrupting tax revenue, resulting in an estimated loss of \$6.3
15 billion in employee turnover costs³; and

16 WHEREAS, the removal of DACA will divide families and communities by deporting DREAMers
17 into countries unknown to them and put their lives at risk, especially LGBTQ+ members^{5 6} and

18 WHEREAS, young immigrants are already being targeted and the removal of DACA is only
19 increasing the psychological trauma and fear that undocumented youth face; and
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23 ⁶ LGBTQ 'dreamers' are particularly vulnerable as DACA winds down. Here's why.

24 <https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.pbs.org/newshour/amp/updates/lgbtq-dreamers-particularly-vulnerable-daca-winds-heres>

25 ⁷Ibid

⁸ DACA Statistics That Show How Vital Dreamers Are To American Society

Mehreen Kasana - <https://www.bustle.com/p/8-daca-statistics-that-show-how-vital-dreamers-are-to-american-society-80753>

⁹Ending the 'Dreamers' Program Could Cost Hundreds of Thousands of Jobs

Alana Abramson - <http://amp.timeinc.net/fortune/2017/08/31/daca-dreamers-jobs-donald-trump/?source=dam>

1 WHEREAS, the removal of DACA is fulfilling the white supremacist agenda of the White House
 2 and is racially targeting communities of color and is only escalating racial tensions with impacts like
 3 that of the events in Charlottesville¹⁰; and

4 WHEREAS, the majority of people eligible for DACA and who apply to receive DACA originate
 5 from México, Guatemala, El Salvador, Korea, Honduras, China, Colombia, India, Philippines, Peru,
 6 Ecuador, Brazil, Dominican Republic, Vietnam, Jamaica, Uruguay, and Bolivia, which
 7 disproportionately impacts communities of color which demonstrates that the far right wants to remove
 8 DACA because the majority of both eligible recipients and recipients are people of color¹¹; and

9 WHEREAS, 13.7% of San Francisco’s population consist of undocumented people: 63.5% are
 10 from Asian countries, 21.3% come from Latin American countries, 13.2% come from European
 11 countries, 1.1% come from African countries, 0.7% come from Australia and 0.3% come from other
 12 areas around the globe¹²;and

13 WHEREAS, there is a misconception that undocumented immigrants exploit the United States,
 14 but in truth undocumented immigrants contribute billions of dollars in taxes and are ineligible to receive
 15 benefits such as retirement funds, social security, and welfare checks; and

16 WHEREAS, the Youth Commission undeniably supports San Francisco youth who are affected
 17 by President Trump’s removal of DACA and is already on record with Resolution [1415-AL-03](#)
 18 [Providing Fee Waivers for Eligible DACA Applicants] urging the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, and
 19 Office of Civic Engagement and Immigration affairs to provide fee waivers to eligible San Francisco
 20 youth; and
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 24 ¹⁰ For DACA Recipients, Losing Protection and Work Permits Is Just the Start
<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/09/07/us/daca-losses-immigration.html>
 25 ¹¹Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Data Tools
<http://www.migrationpolicy.org/programs/data-hub/deferred-action-childhood-arrivals-daca-profiles>
¹² Overview of the United States
<https://statisticalatlas.com/>

1 WHEREAS; this is not just about DACA recipients but also about the systemic injustice
2 committed against immigrant communities of color, and the lies and misconceptions that affect
3 immigrants' psyche; and now therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, the Youth Commission stands in solidarity with undocumented youth in San
5 Francisco; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, the Youth Commission will take any steps necessary to ensure support for the
7 DREAMers and the rest of the immigrant community; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, the Youth Commission urges the Board of Supervisors to hold one or more
9 hearings to learn more about the devastating impacts that the loss of DACA is having on the young
10 people of San Francisco; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, the Youth Commission urges the Board of Supervisors to look into legislative
12 solutions to help support the DREAMers in support of DACA; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission thanks Mayor Lee and the Board of Supervisors for
14 covering the \$495 fee for all DACA recipients who need to renew their status¹³; and be it finally

15 RESOLVED, we encourage the Board of Supervisors to continue adjusting their budget to
16 support undocumented youth financially via nonprofit agencies or other departments who are already
17 helping undocumented youth with services like employment, school, and other services that help
18 undocumented youth navigate the system and help them live sustainable lives.
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22 Chiara Lind, Chair, 2017-18 Youth Commission
23 Adopted on October 2, 2017

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25 ¹³ Defending DACA: Where To Attend Renewal Workshops & Fundraisers In SF & Oakland
<http://hoodline.com/2017/09/defending-daca-where-to-attend-renewal-workshops-fundraisers-in-sf-oakland>