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Speaker of the House
United States House of Representatives
Room H-305, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Representative Nancy Pelosi
Minority Leader
United States House of Representatives
Room H-204, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Senator Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Room S-230, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

Senator Charles E. Schumer
Minority Leader
United States Senate
Room S-221, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Speaker Ryan, Leader Pelosi, Leader McConnell and Leader Schumer:

On behalf of the undersigned colleges and universities, we urge you to take the action that President Trump requested when he rescinded the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) policy, and pass a long-term legislative fix as soon as possible to protect Dreamers, outstanding young people brought to our country as children.

There is widespread support among your constituents and across the country on the need to protect these individuals. A Sept. 24-26 Fox News poll found that 62 percent of Americans say it is *extremely or very important* for Congress to pass legislation to address the Dreamers. A Sept. 18-21 *Washington Post*-ABC News poll found that more than two-thirds of adults—69 percent—support allowing these individuals to stay in the United States if they had arrived as a child, had completed high school or served in the military and had not committed a serious crime.

Colleges and universities have seen these remarkable people up close, in our classrooms and as our colleagues and friends. Despite the challenges they face, they have made incredible contributions to our country and its economy and security. They should continue to be able to do so. If we are unable to protect these Dreamers, we will be shutting the door to an entire generation of individuals who seek to contribute their best to America.

Our letter echoes the request made in the Sept. 20 letter from over 800 business and industry leaders in asking that Congress provide Dreamers with the permanent legislative solution that they deserve. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce also supports this request. Children brought to the United States at a young age did not have a choice in the matter and are today Americans in every way but immigration status. It remains in America's best interest to enable them to use their knowledge, skills and energy to continue to make the strongest possible contribution to our country.

We stand ready to work with Congress in a bipartisan manner to address this issue as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

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Abilene Christian University

Many higher education organizations assisted in compiling this letter. The effort was coordinated by ACE on behalf of the Protect Dreamers Higher Education Coalition (www.acenet.edu/dreamers), which is made up of major higher education associations representing a broad range of institutions and groups at U.S. colleges and universities.

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City University of New York, The Graduate Center
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Coleman University
College of Environmental Science and Forestry
College of Marin
College of Saint Elizabeth
College of Saint Mary
College of Staten Island
College of the Holy Cross
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Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Colorado State University-Pueblo
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Columbus College of Art & Design
Community College of Aurora
Community College of Denver
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Connecticut College
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Denison University
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DePauw University
Diablo Valley College
Dickinson College
Dillard University
Divine Word College
Dominican College of Blauvelt
Dominican University
Dominican University of California
Donnelly College
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Drake University
Drew University
Drexel University
Duke University
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East Tennessee State University
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Evangel University
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Fayetteville State University
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Ferris State University
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Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida International University
Florida State College at Jacksonville
Florida State University
Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College
Fontbonne University
Foothill College
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Fort Lewis College
Fort Peck Community College
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Friends University
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Fuller Theological Seminary
Fulton-Montgomery Community College
Furman University
Genesee Community College
George Fox University
George Mason University
Georgetown University
Georgian Court University
Gettysburg College
Goddard College
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Gonzaga University
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Guilford College
Gustavus Adolphus College
Hamilton College
Hamline University
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Harris-Stowe State University
Harvard University
Hawai'i Community College
Heartland Community College
Henderson State University
Hendrix College
Heritage University
Hillsborough Community College
Hiram College
Hofstra University
Holy Family University
Holy Names University
Hostos Community College
Houghton College
Hudson County Community College
Hudson Valley Community College
Humboldt State University
Hunter College
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
Illinois Central College
Imperial Community College District
Indiana University (all campuses)
Indiana Wesleyan University
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Lynchburg College
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Maryland Institute College of Art
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Massachusetts College of Art and Design
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Medgar Evers College
Mendocino-Lake Community College District
Meredith College
Messiah College
Metropolitan State University
Metropolitan State University of Denver
Mexican American Catholic College
Miami Dade College
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Morgan Community College
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Multnomah University
Nassau Community College
National Louis University
Naugatuck Valley Community College
Nebraska Indian Community College
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New Jersey City University
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New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology
New Mexico State University
New York City College of Technology
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Northern Kentucky University
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Teachers College, Columbia University
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Texas A&M International University
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Texas Wesleyan University
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Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Tech
Virginia Wesleyan University
Wake Forest University
Warner Pacific College
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Warren Wilson College

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Washington and Lee University
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