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President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

RE: Extend DACA Renewal Due to Recent Hurricanes

Dear President Trump,

As you know, Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria have devastated a number of states as well as Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Because of the dire situation in many of these communities, we are asking that you extend the October 5 renewal deadline for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) policy.

Many DREAMers in these communities are focusing on rebuilding their lives after these devastating storms and they may not have access to the necessary paperwork or technology to submit their renewal forms by the October 5 deadline. DREAMers represent the best of America as they have built productive lives, attended school, are working and are committed to our great country. We saw many acts of heroism by DREAMers to help their neighbors during these hurricanes and we cannot turn our backs on them now. While we strongly believe legislation like the DREAM Act should be immediately passed by Congress and signed into law by you, DREAMers need help now by having the DACA renewal deadline extended.

Sincerely,

Kathy Castor
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