Texas A&M University
Graduate and Professional Student Council
General Assembly
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A Resolution In Support of Current Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Students

Presented by Brenna Lin and Monica Barbery on October 3, 2017

Whereas: The Graduate and Professional Student Council exists to govern and to serve as the voice of all graduate and professional students at Texas A&M University.

Whereas: On Tuesday, September 5th, 2017, Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced that the Trump administration will be discontinuing the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA, program. The administration has given Congress six months to find a legislative alternative.

Whereas: A survey of undocumented students found that 52.5% of those under DACA have plans for an advanced degree, compared to 35.6% of those not under DACA.¹

Whereas: The opportunities under DACA have direct benefits for America, enabling an estimated contribution of $86 billion to GDP in just five years.²

Whereas: Senators Dick Durbin (D-IL) and Lindsey Graham (R-SC) re-introduced the Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act, on July 20th, 2017, in Congress, which would allow a path to citizenship for undocumented individuals.

Whereas: Though the DREAM Act has appeared in Congress several times, never have both Chambers of Congress passed it in the same session.

Let it be Resolved: The Graduate and Professional Student Council strongly encourages Congress to pass the DREAM Act so that DACA beneficiaries can have the peace of mind and necessary support to pursue higher education opportunities, improve the American economy, and live their lives without fear.

Let it be Further: A copy of this resolution shall be posted and delivered to:
Resolved:

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_U.S. Senate_

Sen. Ted Cruz
_U.S. Senate_

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