



NADOHE Stands with DACA Students: Urges Congress to Pass Immigration Legislation

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September 5, 2017 - North Palm Beach, FL. - Today, Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced that the President is rescinding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) executive order signed by President Obama in 2012. Rescinding DACA places at risk undocumented students in higher education who came to the U.S. as children. In the absence of evidence that these students pose a public safety risk, they will be eligible for deportation once their DACA status expires. This places in jeopardy these students' eligibility to work, study, or otherwise continue to contribute to our society, or contribute to our economy now and into the future. This is simply not good public or social policy.

NADOHE is strongly opposed to this action and its impact on the lives of undocumented students and their families and believe this action is capricious and could destroy the hopes and dreams of individuals who only know the United States as home and country unless the Congress of the United States acts in a timely manner to provide legislative relief for DACA Students. Supporting the educational aspirations of DACA students by allowing these students to pursue and achieve their goals is essential to the U.S. remaining globally competitive.

Congressional action is critical and timely, comprehensive immigration reform is the responsible approach to preventing the damage that rescinding DACA will have for many DACA students who regard America as home. We call upon Congress to do the right thing.

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