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William T. Scroggins, Ph.D.
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Dear William:

Thank you for contacting me to express your support for the Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act. It is good to hear from you.

As you know, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program was established under the Obama Administration in June, 2012. It allowed certain undocumented immigrants who entered the country as minors (including DREAMers) to be considered for relief from removal, and it permitted them to work. However, every two years they would have to reapply. The Trump Administration announced a phase-out of DACA, because it believes that only Congress has the authority to pass laws providing immigration benefits to individuals.

I have stated publicly that the status of eligible DACA recipients should not change from one administration to the next. Congress should act now to provide a permanent, legislative solution that gives certainty to these recipients. We should not deny residence to those who have only known America as their home, and positively contributed to this great country.

House Speaker Paul Ryan has said Congress needs to pass protections for DACA recipients. He wants to ensure any legislation addressing DACA would have the support it needs to pass before it goes to the floor. That is why he has formed a task force to come up with such a plan. There are numerous proposals they could use as a framework for that effort. Rest assured, I will continue to monitor the situation, and keep your thoughts in mind.

Again, thank you for taking the time to share your concerns. I appreciate having the benefit of your views.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Royce".

EDWARD R. ROYCE