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Top U.S. Employers Urge Supreme Court to Protect Dreamers & American Economy

Remind Court "Eliminating DACA Will Inflict Serious Harm on U.S. Companies, Workers & Economy"

WASHINGTON D.C. – With the U.S. Supreme Court set to hear oral arguments today regarding the Trump Administration's efforts to end the DACA program, and potentially subject 700,000 young people to deportation, many of the nation's top businesses and trade associations are urging the Court to uphold the rulings of lower courts across the country, while warning of the negative economic impact the removal of DACA recipients could have on the U.S. economy.

"Since its inception, DACA has had an enormous impact on the lives of over 800,000 young people who came to this country as children and know only this country as home. They are creating businesses that employ other Americans. And their increased wages lead to higher tax revenues and expansion of our national GDP—producing new jobs and benefits for all Americans," the Coalition for the American Dream said today. "Eliminating DACA will inflict serious harm on U.S. companies, all workers, and the American economy as a whole. Companies will lose valued employees. Workers will lose employers and coworkers. Our national GDP will lose between \$350 and \$460.3 billion, and tax revenues will be reduced by approximately \$90 billion, over the next decade."

Last month, over 140 top businesses and trade associations, which collectively represent nearly every sector of the U.S. economy, filed an amicus brief in support of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. The brief, which included a number of U.S. companies that employ workers protected under the DACA program, illustrated the immense support from the U.S. business community for Congress to provide permanent protections for DACA recipients, for the benefit of employers and the economy more broadly.

"We have seen time and again that the overwhelming majority of Americans of all political backgrounds agree that we should protect Dreamers from deportation. We have also seen lower courts across the country rule in support of the DACA program and against this effort to end it. It's now up to the Supreme Court to do the right thing and America's employers will continue to stand with these thousands of young people," the Coalition concluded.

For any additional information and to view the full amicus brief filing, including the complete list of signatories, please visit: <u>coalitionfortheamericandream.us</u>