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### LATINO GROUPS ISSUE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES "INCOMPLETE" GRADE ON IMMIGRATION AND A PLEDGE CARD FOR ACTION

Report cards to be issued to Latino communities before 2014 election

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**—National Latino organizations engaged in voter education and registration efforts today reported how the 113th Congress—including every member of the House of Representatives and the Senate—has dealt with the issue of immigration so far. The <u>mid-term</u> report card gives a "green checkmark" to the U.S. Senate for passing comprehensive immigration reform legislation earlier this year. However, the House of Representatives receives only an "I" for incomplete because it has not acted on reform except for a spending vote to undo the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, which would result in the deportation of all DREAMers. Therefore, the only vote allowed on the House floor to date was one to kill an overwhelmingly popular initiative among Latino and many other voters.

The mid-term report puts Congress on notice that these organizations will be "scoring" all upcoming votes related to immigration in 2014 and providing this information to the Hispanic community. In the meantime, the groups are delivering a <u>letter</u> to Speaker of the House John Boehner, signed by over 200 Latino organizations, urging action on immigration reform. They will also distribute <u>pledge</u> cards to individual members of the House asking them to commit to advancing reform.

The organizations include the Hispanic Federation, the Labor Council for Latin American Advancement (LCLAA), the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), Mi Familia Vota Education Fund, NALEO Educational Fund, NCLR (National Council of La Raza) and Voto Latino. Each of these organizations is active in civic engagement campaigns that include citizenship drives, voter registration and mobilization and immigration advocacy. There were 1.5 million more Latino voters in 2012 than in 2008, compared with a decrease of two million voters among non-Hispanic Whites during this time. The Latino electorate will continue growing at a fast pace, with an average of 880,000 Latino citizens turning 18 every year for the next 15 years.

"Today's <u>progress report</u> essentially means we are calling in the House leadership for a parentteacher conference. The 'caution mark' means the House still has time to redeem itself on immigration, but needs to turn around their performance and show immediate progress in order for individual House members to make the grade with Latino voters and with the nation," said Bertha Alisia Guerrero, Director of National Advocacy, Hispanic Federation. "In the short run, individual members can improve their standing by co-sponsoring H.R. 15 or signing a pledge stating their support for reform and publicly committing to move it forward, but the final grade will be based on whether reform is achieved."

"How Congress handles immigration during the next dozen months will go a long way toward determining national politics for the next dozen years," said Clarissa Martinez-De-Castro, Director of Civic Engagement and Immigration, NCLR. "Every serious political and media observer saw that the Hispanic vote and immigration were decisive, game-changing factors in the 2012 national election outcome. So far, only one chamber has reacted to the new electoral reality and taken action to fix our immigration system in a bipartisan and politically popular manner. Today's <u>progress</u> report reminds Congress that we are monitoring their actions, or lack thereof, and will issue a formal evaluation of how they address one of the greatest concerns in our community."

"The Latino community's commitment to immigration reform has only grown stronger since the 2012 election. Last week, Cristian Avila, a Mi Familia Vota team member from Arizona and a DREAMer, ended 22 days of fasting—as others stepped in—to put a human face on the immorality of the current immigration system and Congress's inaction. During 2013, our groups have continued building the Latino electorate through citizenship workshops, voter registration, education and mobilization campaigns. We have rallied, marched and pressed members of Congress for reform. We will grow even stronger next year, and if members do not want F's on their report cards that we deliver to the community, they need to deliver quickly and responsibly on comprehensive immigration reform," said Ben Monterroso, Executive Director of Mi Familia Vota Education Fund.

"Latino voters accounted for 8.4 percent of all voters in the 2012 election, making a decisive impact in the race for the White House and other state and municipal contests," said Max Sevillia, Director of Policy and Legislative Affairs, NALEO Educational Fund. "In the lead-up to Election Day, the Latino community's political influence will continue to grow, with the eligible Latino electorate set to reach 25.2 million. Immigration is a deeply personal issue for Latino voters, and our growing electorate will be closely monitoring legislative movement on this issue in Congress in the coming months."

"For Latinos, immigration is personal," said Maria Teresa Kumar, President and CEO of Voto Latino. "We work with Latino millennials, who are fueling the accelerated growth of our community's electorate with an average of 880,000 young Latinos turning 18 every year and know that the choices Congress makes today have a powerful effect on shaping these new and future voters' political map. These young voters are engaged and are seeing their family and friends suffer the consequences of inaction, even though the votes exist to end our nation's immigration crisis. How Congress handles the immigration issue now will have a huge impact on political elections for years to come."

"Immigration reform is clearly a morally and politically defining issue for Latinos, but the benefits go way beyond politics," said Brent Wilkes, Executive Director of LULAC. "The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) estimated immigration reform would reduce the deficit by \$200 billion and

increase GDP by \$700 billion in the first decade, while inaction is depriving the nation of these economic benefits. As Congress continues budget negotiations the politicians must understand how immediate action on immigration reform can help build our economy and create jobs."

"It is time to act," said Hector Sanchez, Executive Director of the Labor Council for Latin American Advancement. "We know the votes exist in the House to get this done, and the time for obstruction is over. There is no way to avoid this issue because labor, faith and community groups are united, and we and our allies across the political spectrum are bringing the voice and action of our communities and constituents to the doorstep of Congress. Nobody is off the hook and even with a bill passed in the Senate, nobody is unfurling a 'Mission Accomplished' banner for any party or politician. The damage caused by our broken immigration system is too high—every single day—to keep wasting time on the road to reform."

### **PLEDGE LANGUAGE**

"I support immigration reform that includes a clear road map to earned citizenship for hardworking, tax-paying immigrants; keeps families together; promotes the full integration of newcomers into American society; and creates an internal and border law enforcement regimen that focuses on preventing criminals, drug cartels and other bad actors from entering the U.S. or engaging in criminal activities. I also call on House leadership to schedule a vote on immigration reform."

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The **Labor Council for Latin American Advancement** (LCLAA) is the leading national organization for Latino(a) workers and their families. LCLAA represents the interest of more than 2 million Latino workers in the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO), The Change to Win Federation, Independent Unions and all its membership. Visit LCLAA on the web at <a href="https://www.lclaa.org">www.lclaa.org</a>, on <a href="mailto:Facebook">Facebook</a> and <a href="mailto:Twitter">Twitter</a>.

The **League of United Latin American Citizens** (LULAC) is the nation's largest and oldest civil rights volunteer-based organization that empowers Hispanic Americans and builds strong Latino communities. Headquartered in Washington, DC, with 900 councils around the United States and Puerto Rico, LULAC's programs, services and advocacy address the most important issues for Latinos, meeting critical needs of today and the future. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.LULAC.org">www.LULAC.org</a>.

Mi Familia Vota is a national non-profit organization that unites Latino, immigrant, and allied communities to promote social and economic justice through increased civic participation by promoting citizenship, voter registration, and voter participation. Mi Familia Vota is one of the premiere Latino civic engagement organizations in the country with operations in Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Nevada, and Texas. Visit online: <a href="https://www.mifamiliavota.org">www.mifamiliavota.org</a> | <a href="#Facebook">Facebook</a> | <a href="#Twitter">Twitter</a> | <a href="YouTube">YouTube</a> |

**NALEO Educational Fund** is the nation's leading non-partisan, non-profit organization that facilitates the full participation of Latinos in the American political process, from citizenship to public service. Visit us online: <a href="https://www.naleo.org">www.naleo.org</a> | <a href="https://www.naleo.org">Facebook</a> | <a href="https://www.naleo.org">Twitter</a>.

**NCLR**—the largest national Hispanic civil rights and advocacy organization in the United States—works to improve opportunities for Hispanic Americans. For more information on NCLR, please visit <a href="www.nclr.org">www.nclr.org</a> or follow along on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> and <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a>.

Voto Latino is a national civic engagement organization that celebrates 10 years in 2014 of galvanizing Latino Millennials and their family members and friends into the political process to effect positive change. United by the belief that Latino issues are American issues and American issues are Latino issues, Voto Latino has influenced millions of Latino Millennials through its digital and traditional media campaigns, through the tireless work of its artist coalition, and the organization's leadership initiatives. To learn more about Voto Latino, visit <a href="www.VotoLatino.org">www.VotoLatino.org</a>. Also engage Voto Latino on Facebook at <a href="www.facebook.com/VotoLatino">www.facebook.com/VotoLatino</a>, on Twitter at <a href="www.twitter.com/VotoLatino">www.twitter.com/VotoLatino</a> and on Instagram at <a href="www.instagram.com/VotoLatino">www.instagram.com/VotoLatino</a>.

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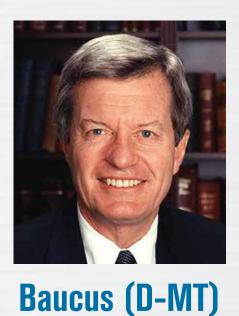
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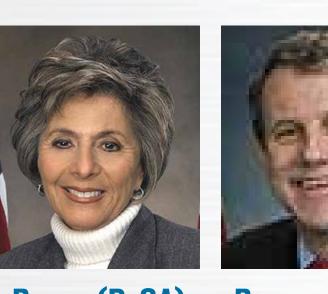








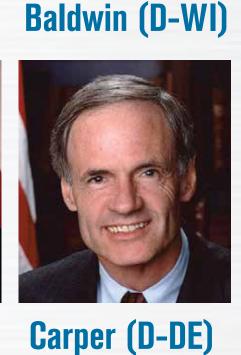


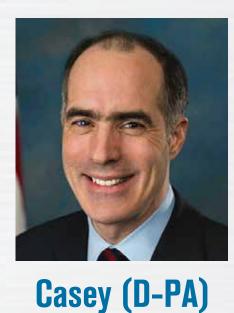






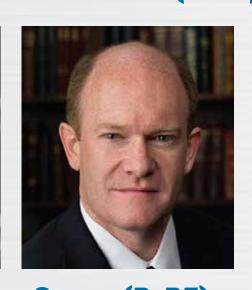


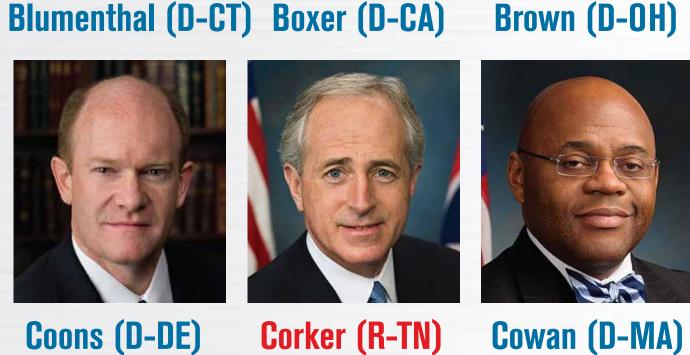


















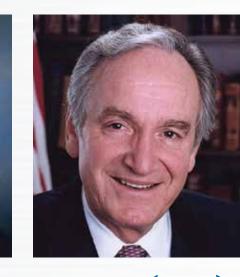








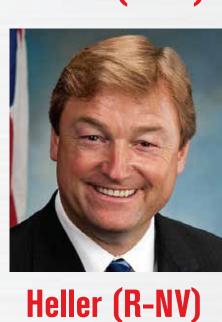










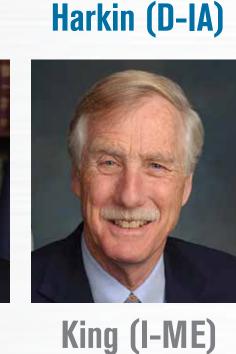








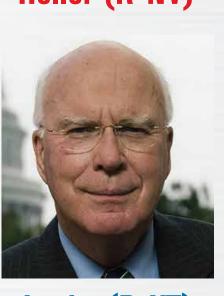








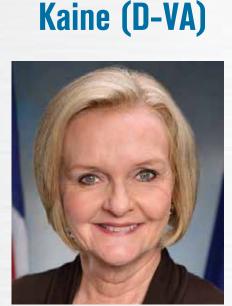






















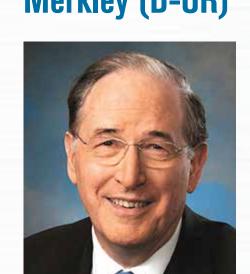
















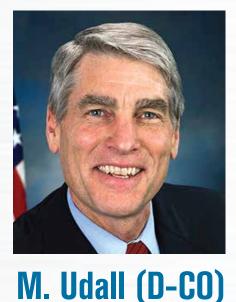












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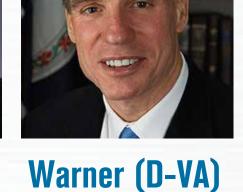




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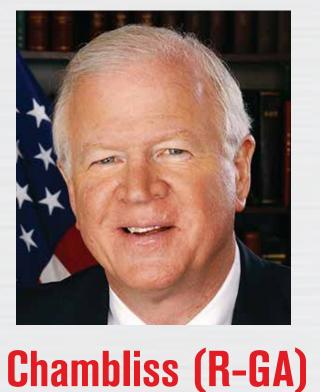


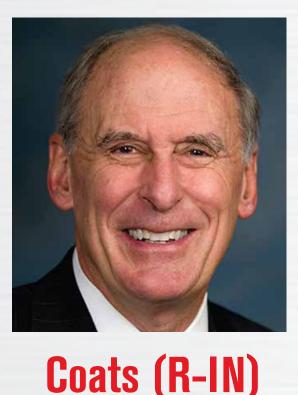




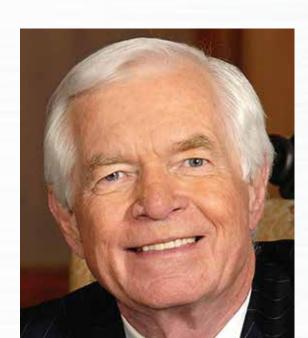


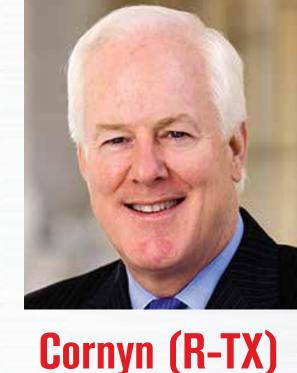








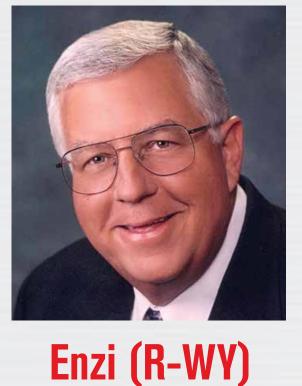






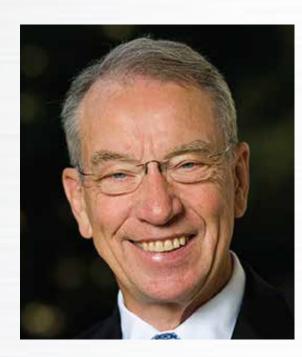
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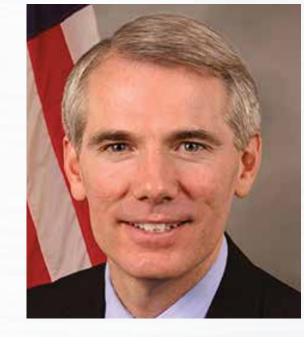




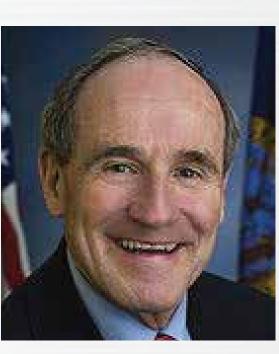


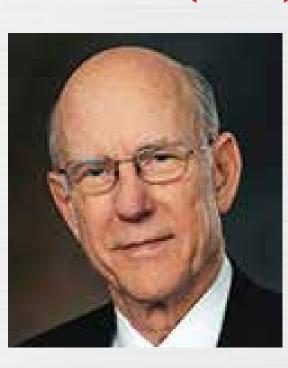


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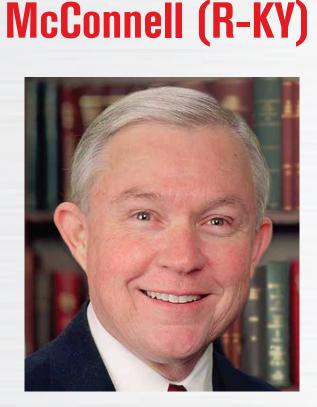


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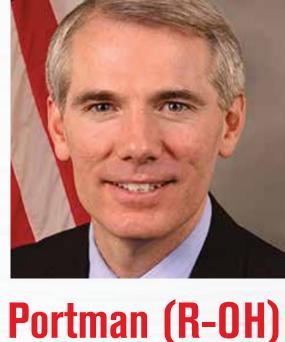




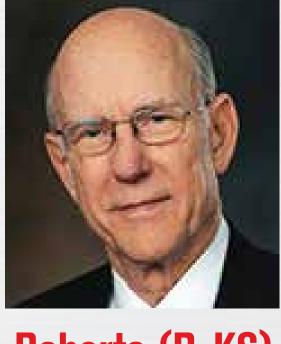




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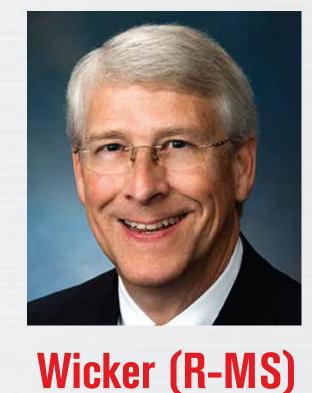
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# ACTIONON INCIDENTAL ACTION ACTION:



## H. AMDT. 136 (KING-IA) TO H.R. 2217

### VOTED TO REPEAL DREAM RELIEF (DACA) VOTÓ PARA ELIMINAR ALIVIO A DREAMERS (DACA)



Alabama

**Robert Aderholt Jo Bonner** Mike Rogers **Martha Roby Mo Brooks** 

Arizona

**Trent Franks Matt Salmon Paul Gosar David Schweikert** 

Arkansas

**Eric Crawford Tim Griffin Steve Womack Tom Cotton** 

California

**Ken Calvert Darrell Issa Howard McKeon Gary Miller Dana Rohrabacher Edward Royce Kevin McCarthy Duncan Hunter Tom McClintock Doug LaMalfa Paul Cook** 

Colorado

**Doug Lamborn Mike Coffman Scott Tipton Cory Gardner** 

Florida

**Ander Crenshaw John Mica Jeff Miller C.W.** Bill Young **Vern Buchanan Gus Bilirakis Bill Posey Thomas Rooney Steve Southerland Richard Nugent Daniel Webster Dennis Ross Ted Yoho Ron DeSantis** 

**Trey Radel** 

Georgia **Phil Gingrey Jack Kingston Tom Price** Lynn

Westmoreland **John Barrow** 

Paul Broun Jr. **Tom Graves Rob Woodall Austin Scott Doug Collins** 

Idaho

Michael Simpson Raúl Labrador

Illinois

**John Shimkus Peter Roskam Aaron Schock Adam Kinzinger** Randy Hultgren **Rodney Davis** 

Indiana

**Marlin Stutzman Todd Rokita Larry Bucshon Todd Young Jackie Walorski Susan Brooks Luke Messer** 

lowa

**Steve King Tom Latham** 

Kansas

**Lynn Jenkins** Tim Huelskamp **Kevin Yoder** Mike Pompeo

Kentucky

**Harold Rogers Brett Guthrie Thomas Massie Garland Barr** 

Louisiana

**Rodney Alexander** Charles **Boustany Jr.** 

**Steve Scalise Bill Cassidy** John Fleming

Maryland **Andy Harris** 

Michigan

**Dave Camp Candice Miller** Mike Rogers **Fred Upton Tim Walberg Dan Benishek Bill Huizenga Justin Amash Kerry Bentivolio** 

Minnesota

John Kline **Michele Bachmann Erik Paulsen** 

Mississippi

**Gregg Harper Alan Nunnelee Steven Palazzo** 

Missouri

**Blaine** Luetkemeyer Vicky Hartzler Billy Long **Ann Wagner Jason Smith** 

**Sam Graves** 

Montana

**Steve Daines** 

Nebraska

**Lee Terry Jeff Fortenberry Adrian Smith** 

Nevada

**Mark Amodei Joseph Heck** 

New Jersey

Rodney Frelinghuysen **Scott Garrett** Frank LoBiondo **Christopher Smith** 

**Leonard Lance** Jon Runyan

New Mexico **Stevan Pearce** 

New York

**Peter King Tom Reed II** Christopher Gibson **Richard Hanna Chris Collins** North Carolina

**Howard Coble** Walter Jones Jr. Mike McIntyre **Virginia Foxx Patrick McHenry Renee Ellmers Richard Hudson Mark Meadows George Holding** 

North Dakota **Kevin Cramer** 

Ohio

**Steve Chabot Patrick Tiberi Michael Turner** Jim Jordan **Robert Latta Bill Johnson Steve Stivers James Renacci Bob Gibbs Brad Wenstrup David Joyce** 

Oklahoma

**Tom Cole Frank Lucas James Lankford Jim Bridenstine Markwayne Mullin** 

Oregon

**Greg Walden** 

Pennsylvania Jim Gerlach **Tim Murphy Joseph Pitts**  **Michael Fitzpatrick** 

**Charles Dent** 

**Bill Shuster Glenn Thompson** Mike Kelly **Patrick Meehan Tom Marino Lou Barletta Scott Perry Keith Rothfus** 

South Carolina

Joe Wilson **Marshall Sanford Jeff Duncan Trey Gowdy Mick Mulvaney Tom Rice** 

South Dakota Kristi Noem

Tennessee

Marsha Blackburn John Duncan Jr. **David Roe** Charles **Fleischmann Scott DesJarlais Diane Black Stephen Fincher** 

Texas

**Joe Barton** 

**Kevin Brady Michael Burgess John Carter** John Culberson **Kay Granger** Ralph Hall **Jeb Hensarling** Sam Johnson **Lamar Smith Mac Thornberry** Randy Neugebauer Louie Gohmert Jr. **Ted Poe** Michael McCaul **Michael Conaway Kenny Marchant Steve Stockman** 

**Pete Olson Bill Flores Blake Farenthold Randy Weber Roger Williams** 

Utah

**Rob Bishop Jason Chaffetz Chris Stewart** 

Virginia

**Eric Cantor Randy Forbes Bob Goodlatte Frank Wolf Robert Wittman Scott Rigell Robert Hurt Morgan Griffith** 

Washington

**Doc Hastings Cathy McMorris** Rodgers **David Reichert Jaime Herrera Beutler** 

West Virginia

**Shelley Moore** Capito **Nick Rahall II David McKinley** 

Wisconsin

**Thomas Petri Paul Ryan James** 

Sensenbrenner Jr. **Sean Duffy Reid Ribble** 

Wyoming

**Cynthia Lummis** 

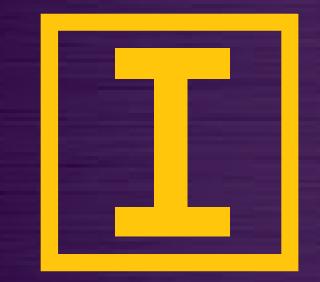
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Alabama

**Spencer Bachus Terri Sewell\*** 

Arizona

**Ann Kirkpatrick\* Ron Barber\*** Raúl Grijalva **Ed Pastor\* Kyrsten Sinema\*** 

California

**Jared Huffman\*** John Garamendi\* **Doris Matsui\* Ami Bera\*** Jerry McNerney\* **George Miller\* Nancy Pelosi\* Barbara Lee\*** Jackie Speier\* **Eric Swalwell\*** Jim Costa\* Michael Honda\* **Anna Eshoo\* Zoe Lofgren\*** Sam Farr\* **David Valadao\* Devin Nunes** 

Lois Capps\* **Susan Davis\* Grace Napolitano\*** Lucille

Roybal-Allard\* Linda Sánchez\* **Loretta Sanchez\*** Adam Schiff\* **Brad Sherman\* Maxine Waters\* Henry Waxman\* Judy Chu\*** Janice Hahn\* Julia Brownley\* **Tony Cárdenas\* Gloria Negrete** McLeod\* Raul Ruiz\* **Mark Takano**\* **Alan Lowenthal\*** Juan Vargas\*

**Scott Peters\*** 

**Karen Bass\* Jeff Denham\*** 

Colorado

**Diana DeGette\*** Jared Polis\* **Ed Perlmutter\*** 

Connecticut

Rosa DeLauro\* John Larson\* **Joe Courtney\* James Himes\* Elizabeth Esty\*** 

Delaware

John Carney\*

Florida

**Corrine Brown\* Alcee Hastings\*** lleana

**Ros-Lehtinen\*** 

**Debbie** Wasserman Schultz\* **Kathy Castor\*** Alan Grayson\* **Theodore Deutch\*** Frederica Wilson\* **Patrick Murphy\*** Lois Frankel\*

Georgia

Joe Garcia\*

**Sanford Bishop Jr.**\* John Lewis\* **David Scott\* Henry Johnson Jr.**\*

Hawaii

Colleen Hanabusa\* **Tulsi Gabbard\*** 

Illinois

**Danny Davis\* Luis Gutiérrez\* Bobby Rush\*** Jan Schakowsky\* **Daniel Lipinski Bill Foster\*** Mike Quigley\* **Tammy Duckworth\*** 

**Bradley** 

Schneider\* **William Enyart Cheri Bustos Robin Kelly\*** 

Indiana

**Peter Visclosky\* André Carson\*** 

Iowa

**Bruce Braley\* David Loebsack\*** 

Kentucky

John Yarmuth\*

Louisiana

**Cedric Richmond** 

Maine

**Michael Michaud\* Chellie Pingree\*** 

Maryland

**Elijah Cummings\* Steny Hoyer\*** C.A. Dutch

Ruppersberger\* **Chris Van Hollen\*** John Sarbanes\* **Donna Edwards\*** John Delaney\*

Massachusetts

Michael Capuano\* **Stephen Lynch\* Edward Markey** Jim McGovern\* **Richard Neal\*** John Tierney\* Niki Tsongas\* William Keating\* Joseph Kennedy III\*

Michigan

John Conyers Jr.\* John Dingell\* **Sander Levin\* Gary Peters\* Daniel Kildee\*** 

Minnesota

**Betty McCollum\* Collin Peterson** 

**Richard Nolan\* Timothy Walz\* Keith Ellison\*** 

Mississippi

**Bennie** Thompson\*

Missouri

William Lacy Clay\* **Emanuel Cleaver II\*** 

Nevada

**Dina Titus\* Steven Horsford\*** 

New Hampshire

Carol

**Shea-Porter\* Ann Kuster\*** 

New Jersey

**Robert Andrews\* Rush Holt** Frank Pallone Jr.\* Bill Pascrell Jr.\* **Albio Sires\* Donald Payne Jr.** 

New Mexico

Ben Ray Luján\* Michelle Lujan **Grisham\*** 

New York

**Timothy Bishop\*** Joseph Crowley\* **Eliot Engel\*** Steve Israel\* Nita Lowey\* **Carolyn Maloney\* Gregory Meeks\*** Jerrold Nadler\* **Charles Rangel\*** José Serrano\* Louise Slaughter\* Nydia Velázquez\* **Brian Higgins\* Yvette Clarke Daniel Maffei\* Paul Tonko\*** William Owens\* **Michael Grimm Grace Meng\*** 

**Hakeem Jeffries Sean Patrick Maloney**\*

North Carolina **David Price\* Melvin Watt\* G.K.** Butterfield\*

Ohio

**Marcy Kaptur\*** Tim Ryan\* Marcia Fudge\* **Joyce Beatty\*** 

Oregon

**Earl Blumenauer\*** Peter DeFazio\* **Kurt Schrader\*** Suzanne **Bonamici\*** 

Pennsylvania

**Robert Brady\*** Mike Doyle Jr.\* Chaka Fattah\* **Allyson Schwartz\* Matthew** 

Cartwright\*

Rhode Island Jim Langevin\* **David Cicilline\*** 

South Carolina James Clyburn\*

Tennessee

Jim Cooper **Steve Cohen\*** 

Texas **Lloyd Doggett\* Gene Green\*** Rubén Hinojosa\* Sheila **Jackson Lee\* Eddie Bernice** Johnson\* Al Green\*

**Henry Cuellar\* Beto O'Rourke\* Joaquin Castro\* Pete Gallego\*** Marc Veasey\* **Filemon Vela** 

Utah

**Jim Matheson** 

Vermont

**Peter Welch\*** 

Virginia

**James Moran\* Robert Scott\* Gerald Connolly\*** 

Washington

**Rick Larsen\*** Jim McDermott\* **Adam Smith\* Suzan DelBene\* Derek Kilmer\* Denny Heck\*** 

Wisconsin

Ron Kind\* **Gwen Moore\* Mark Pocan\*** 

DID NOT VOTE

Alaska

**Don Young** 

California

**Xavier Becerra\*** John Campbell Mike Thompson\*

Kentucky

**Ed Whitfield** 

Florida

**Mario Diaz-Balart** 

New York

Carolyn McCarthy\*

North Carolina

**Robert Pittenger** 

Texas

**Pete Sessions** 

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Dec 10, 2013

The Honorable John Boehner United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

We, the undersigned national, state, and local Latino organizations, urge you to allow a vote on immigration reform. Our organizations reach and provide services to millions of Americans and immigrants each year. Every day we see the devastating consequences of an outdated immigration system that undercuts our economy, assaults the family core, and undermines the rule of law. It need not be this way—the House of Representatives has the opportunity, the responsibility, and the needed votes to give America immigration reform. And we will not rest until it is achieved.

Immigration reform is a win-win scenario for the country. Numerous reports have demonstrated that reform will be a boon to the economy. The Congressional Budget Office estimated that immigration reform would reduce the deficit by \$200 billion and increase GDP by \$700 billion in the first decade. The Social Security Administration estimated that its revenue would increase by \$300 billion. According to the conservative American Action Network, immigration reform would create on average 14,000 new jobs in each congressional district.

Public support for passing immigration reform legislation is strong and diverse. According to a Gallup poll, 87% of Americans support reform with a path to citizenship, including 86% of Democrats, 86% of Republicans, and 88% of Independents. We know that many members of Congress, on both sides of the aisle, understand the economic and political imperatives for pushing reform to the finish line. Fortunately, these cooler heads represent a majority in the House. The votes to pass immigration reform are already present in Congress.

This issue is deeply personal to the nation's Hispanic community. As Hispanic-serving organizations, we understand this truth. We have demonstrated that immigration reform brings Latino voters to the polls, voters who played a pivotal role in the last two elections and whose numbers are growing by about 900,000 eligible citizens per year. Toxic rhetoric on this issue has affected us profoundly, regardless of immigration status. We view getting this debate on the right course as a matter of fundamental respect for the role of Latinos in the U.S. Our community is engaged and closely watching this debate.

The path forward is clear and reform is possible. Mr. Boehner, we urge you to allow a vote and deliver on immigration reform. America cannot afford inaction.

Sincerely,

National, State, Local Latino Organizations

### **National Organizations**

Casa de Esperanza: National Latin@ Network for Healthy Families and

Communities

Cesar Chavez Foundation

Centro Latino for Literacy

Cuban American National Council, Inc. National Conference of Puerto Rican

Women

De Orilla a Orilla

Farmworker Justice

**HACU** 

Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement

Labor Council for Latin American

Advancement

Hispanic Federation

League of United Latin American Citizens

Mi Familia Vota

Mission Asset Fund

NALEO Educational Fund

National Association of Hispanic Federal

Executives (NAHFE)

National Council of La Raza (NCLR)

National Hispanic Environmental Council

(NHEC)

National Hispanic Media Coalition (NHMC)

National Latino Behavioral Health

Association

Parent Institute for Quality Education

Pathstone Corporation

Southwest Key Programs

United States Hispanic Chamber of

Commerce

Voto Latino

### **Local/State Organizations**

### Alabama

Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama (¡HICA!)

### **Arkansas**

Hispanic Women's Organization of Arkansas

#### Arizona

Arizona DREAM Act Coalition Border Action Network

Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Campesinos Sin Fronteras

Los Abogados Promise Arizona

Valle del Sol, Inc

#### California

4C's Community Child Care Council of

Santa Clara County, Ic.

Aguilas en Accion Club Charo

Alliance for a Better Community Club Charo, Michoacan

Alliance San Diego Club Churumuco, Michoacan

AltaMed Health Services Corporation Club Durango

CABE, California Association for Bilingual

Education

Cabrillo Economic Development

Caormo Economic Development

Corporation

California Association for

BilingualEducation

Californians Together Club La Virgen, Zacapu, Michoacan

Casa Familiar Club Lazaro Cardenas, Michaocan

Center for Training & Careers Inc.

Club Los Reyes, "Virgensita del Sagrario",

Club Gabriel Zamora, Michoacan

Club Guadalajara, Jalisco

Club Jacona, Michoacan

Club Jacaranda, Michoacan

Club La Piedad, Michoacan

Central Coast Alliance United for a Michoacan

Sustainable Economy Club Marcos Castellanos, Michoacan

Chicano Federation of San Diego County

Club Nicamopoa, Puebla

Clinicas de Salud del Pueblo Club Oaxaca

Club Acapulco, Guerrero Club Ocotlan, Jalisco

Club Apatzingan, Michoacan

Club Pahacuaran, Michoacan

Club Casas Viejas, Puruandiro, Michoacan

Club Pastor Ortiz, Michoacan

Club Pihuamadas, Pihuamo, Jalisco Employee Rights Center

Club Puebla Fresno Barrios Unidos

Club Puruandiro, Michoacan La Clinica de La Raza

Club San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora La Cooperativa Campesina de California

Club San Marcos, Jalisco La Familia Counseling Service

Club Sem. San Jose, Michoacan La Maestra Community Health Centers

Club Señor de la Lampara Lideres Campesinas

Club Sonora, "Mexico en la Piel" MAAC

Club Tacambaro, Michoacan Mexican American opportunity Foundation

Club Tinguindin, Michoacan MHDC

Club Tlatenango, Zacatecas Mission Economic Development Agency

Club Uruapan, Michoacan Mujeres Latinas de Stanislaus

Club Venustiano Carranza, Michoacan New Economics for Women

Community HousingWorks PUC Schools

CONORCO, Confederacion de San Ysidro Health Center

Organizaciones y Clubes de Oriundos, Tata

Vasco de Quiroga Self-Help Enterprises

Cotija, "Virgensita del Barrio" Michoacan Semillas Sociedad Civil

Delhi Center Tiburcio Vasquez Health Center, Inc.

East LA Community Corporation TODEC Legal Center

El Concilio/Council for the Spanish

Eastmont Community Center Ventura County Community Development

Corportion

Speaking Visionary Home Builders of California, Inc.

El Grupo (North San Diego County) Watts/Century Latino Org.

El Sol Science and Arts Academy

Youth Policy Institute

Youth Policy Institute Charter School

### Colorado

Colorado Latino Leadership, Advocacy and

Research Organization (CLLARO) Mi Casa Resource Center

Connecticut

Center for Latino Progress – CPRF Hispanic Health Council

**Delaware** 

Latin American Community Center La Esperanza, Inc.

Florida

Centro Campesino Farmworker Center, Inc. Housing & Education Alliance

COFFO Latino Leadership

Hispanic Health Initiatives, Inc.

Redlands Christian Migrant Association

Hispanic Services Council, Inc. WeCount!

Idaho

Community Council of Idaho, Inc

Illinois

Alivio Medical Center

Association House of Chicago Latino Policy Forum

Brighton Park Neighborhood Council Latinos Progresando

Center for Changing Lives Northwest Side Housing Center

Enlace Chicago PODER

Instituto del Progreso Latino Spanish Coalition for Housing

Kansas

El Centro **SER** Corporation

Massachusetts

East Boston Ecumenical Community La Alianza Hispana Inc.

Council

Lawrence CommunityWorks, Inc.

Hyde Square Task Force

¿Oíste?

Michigan

Hispanic American Council Hispanic Center of Western MI

Minnesota

Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Minnesota

(CLUES)

Mississippi

MIRA (Mississippi Immigrants Rights Alliance)

Missouri

Guadalupe Centers, Inc Hispanic Economic Development

Corporation

Nebraska

Centro Hispano Comunitario de Nebraska Nebraska Latino American Commission

**New Jersey** 

La Casa de Don Pedro

Latino Action Network of New Jersey

**LAEDA** 

### **New Mexico**

HELP – New Mexico Siete Del Norte CDC

Nevada

Community Services of Nevada

New York

Acacia Network, Inc. Eastern Alliance of Farmworker Advocates

Amber Charter School EHCCI, Inc.

The Committee for Hispanic Children and

Families, Inc.

Hispanic Resource Center

Ibero American Action League

Cypress Hills Local Development

Corporation

La Fuerza Unida, Inc.

Dominican Women's Development Center Make the Road New York

**North Carolina** 

Action NC Latin American Coalition

El Pueblo, Inc.

Ohio

El Barrio, Inc. Ohio Hispanic Coalition

HOLA Ohio Spanish American Committee

Oregon

Hacienda CDC Mano a Mano Family Center

Latinos Unidos Siempre

Pennsylvania

Asociación Puertorriqueños en Marcha Centro Hispano Daniel Torres Inc.

Casa Guadalupe Center Concilio (Council of Spanish Speaking

Organizations)

Congreso de Latinos Unidos LEAD

Tennessee

Conexión Américas Latino Memphis

**Texas** 

AAAMS, Inc. Mexican American Unity Council Inc.

American Latino Center for Research, Midland CDC

Education & Justice

START Center Austin Immigrant Rights Coalition

Tejano Center for Community Concerns

Avenida Guadalupe Association

Vecinos Unidos, Inc.

Houston Gateway Academy, Inc.

VIDA

KIPP Houston Public Schools

Virginia

Shirlington Employment and Education Virginia Coalition of Latino Organizations

YWCA El Paso, Del Norte Region

Center (VACOLAO)

Washington

El Centro de la Raza Inspire Development Centers

Washington, D.C.

Ayuda La Clinica del Pueblo

CCIN (Capital Clinical Integrated Network)

Latino Economic Development Center

Central American Resource Center

cc: Rep. Eric Cantor Rep. Kevin McCarthy

Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers

Rep. James Lankford