

RESOLUTION No. 37320

Declare support for DREAMers and urge Congress to continue the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program and to pass the DREAM Act (Resolution)

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2017, the City of Portland reaffirmed its status as a Sanctuary City, one that welcomes and embraces diversity and is committed to protecting and supporting immigrant and refugee communities; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2012, President Barack Obama signed an executive order establishing the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA; and

WHEREAS, DACA provides temporary work permits and protection from deportation for young adults who came to the United States before the age of 16; and

WHEREAS, nearly 800,000 young adults across the country, known as DREAMers, are DACA recipients; and

WHEREAS, 97% of DREAMers are enrolled in school, serve in our military, or work in this country; and

WHEREAS, in Oregon, there are over 11,000 DREAMers, who are inextricably woven into the fabric of our community; and

WHEREAS, DREAMers represent a broad range of countries, including Mexico, China, India, Canada, Haiti and many more; and

WHEREAS, the Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy has reported that DACA-eligible immigrants have paid over \$2 billion dollars annually in state and local taxes nationwide; and

WHEREAS, DACA honors and celebrates core values of the United States, including fairness, justice and opportunity for all; and

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2017, President Donald Trump rescinded DACA, putting all DREAMers at risk of deportation and the loss of their livelihoods; and

WHEREAS, over the last year, immigrants and DREAMers have faced heightened anxieties over their legal status in the United States; and

WHEREAS, as President Obama said on September 5, 2017, "this is about basic decency - this is about whether we are a people who kick hopeful young strivers out of America, or whether we treat them the way we'd want our own kids to be treated. It's about who we are as a people -- and who we want to be"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland supports or is a party to lawsuits challenging the Trump Administration's authority to (1) require Portland and Seattle to take actions contrary to their status as Sanctuary Cities; (2) condition federal grants on renunciation of Sanctuary City status; and (3) rescind deportation protections under DACA; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland strongly opposes the decision to rescind DACA, and proudly stands with all DREAMers who call the United States home; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Portland supports our DREAMers and urges Congress to take swift action in support of DACA, and to pass the DREAM Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the Fall 2017 Budget Monitoring Process, the City of Portland will reimburse a maximum amount of \$50,000 to Causa, acting as a fiscal sponsor for the Oregon DACA Coalition, on behalf of local DREAMers for whom the DACA application fee presented a financial hardship, and for legal services, between September 5, 2017 and October 5, 2017.

Adopted by the Council:

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Commissioner Nick Fish
Commissioner Amanda Fritz
Commissioner Chloe Eudaly
Commissioner Dan Saltzman
Mayor Ted Wheeler
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Date Prepared: September 26, 2017

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<p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p> <p>Mayor—Finance & Administration—Wheeler <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Eudaly <i>[Signature]</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u><i>[Signature]</i></u> Deputy</p> <p>ACTION TAKEN:</p>
<p>BUREAU APPROVAL</p> <p>Bureau: Office of Commissioner Fish Bureau Head: Sonia Schmanski</p> <p>Prepared by: Asena Lawrence & Mariana Garcia Medina Date Prepared: September 26, 2017</p>	
<p>Impact Statement</p> <p>Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Portland Policy Document</p> <p>If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document.</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances</p>	
<p>City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date October 5, 2017</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;">AGENDA</p> <p>TIME CERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Thursday</i> Start time: 2:00 pm</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: 1 hour (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p> <p>CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;">FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA</th> <th colspan="2">COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th style="width: 30%;">YEAS</th> <th style="width: 30%;">NAYS</th> </tr> <tr> <td>1. Fritz</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. Fish</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. Saltzman</td> <td style="text-align: center;">—</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>4. Eudaly</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wheeler</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:			YEAS	NAYS	1. Fritz	✓		2. Fish	✓		3. Saltzman	—		4. Eudaly	✓		Wheeler	✓	
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