



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

September 5, 2017

Motion

Proposed No. 2017-0366.1

Sponsors Dembowski

1 A MOTION calling on Congress to swiftly and
2 comprehensively address federal immigration reform
3 generally and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals in
4 particular to protect the legal status of thousands of
5 Dreamers.

6 WHEREAS, Motion 14851 established King County's Federal Legislative
7 Agenda, including a call for immigration reform, and

8 WHEREAS, an estimated 800,000 United States residents, who came to the
9 United States as children, have benefitted from the protections afforded by the Deferred
10 Action for Childhood Arrivals ("DACA") program, allowing them to lead productive
11 lives with reduced fear relating to their immigration status, and

12 WHEREAS, the announcement today by United States Attorney General Jeff
13 Sessions that the administration will end the DACA program in six months has brought
14 new and increased urgency to this legislative priority, and

15 WHEREAS, congressional action on DACA is imperative given the six month
16 window before the program is terminated.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

18 A. The metropolitan King County council:

19 1. Expresses King County's strong support for continuing the protections

20 afforded under the DACA program;

21 2. Calls on congress to swiftly and comprehensively address federal
22 immigration reform generally and DACA in particular to protect the legal status of
23 thousands of Dreamers;

24 3. Directs the county's federal legislative team to prioritize work during the next
25 six months to support efforts in Congress to continue the DACA protections; and

26 4. Requests that King County's government affairs teams commence efforts to
27 build a broad coalition of county officials nationwide to support efforts in Congress to
28 sustain the protections afforded by DACA.

29 B. The clerk of the council is directed to send a copy of this motion to each
30 member of Washington's congressional delegation.

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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:

Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this ____ day of _____, _____.

Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: None

