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Greetings President Donald J. Trump,

I pray this letter finds you in good health and strength. Also, congratulations on a successful first year in office!

As most Americans, I have watched the DACA situation and the challenges linked to it. Unfortunately, we haven't settled on a resolution. I am currently running for U.S. Congress, Texas 15th District, which is one of the heartbeats of such an issue. Many of my future constituents are perplexed and divided on this issue and desperately desire a solution (as many throughout our nation).

Without a doubt, no solution is going to make everyone happy and many on both sides of the isle will have hang ups of one kind or another. Nevertheless, having worked with people seeking to become U.S. Citizens, teaching English as a Second Language and Immigration Classes, I see the stresses and concerns firsthand, therefore, I cannot wait until I make it to Congress before making a suggestion.

Please consider this plan of action for your Presidential Agenda and a possible solution for the DACA issues:

On average American Tax Payers paid \$10,854 in fiscal 2016 to deport an illegal immigrant.¹ Also, the same tax payers pay an average cost of \$12,300 per pupil per year to education youth that are here illegally.² Multiply that time 12 years of school and we're talking about 147,600 in education benefits alone. Simply viewing those numbers alone (not including medical or legal), our Nation and Tax Payers are anchored with a huge and unfair encumbrance.

My suggestion is that for the Dreamers or DACA personnel only, we allow them to pay a \$10,000 fee (not a fine). This is but a fraction of what tax payers have and will pay out with education, healthcare, legal, etc. and thousands less than the cost of deportation. The following criteria could be a guideline:

- Fee will be payable over a 7 year period (Approximately \$120 per month). Those under 18 authorize deferment for payment until 18th birthdate.
- Participant must not have nor be convicted of any felonies (any conviction results in deportation proceedings enacted and forfeiture of any monies paid in).
- Applicant will be eligible for expedient citizenship upon completion and payment of that applicable fee.

¹ How much it costs ICE to deport an undocumented immigrant. Retrieved from <http://money.cnn.com/2017/04/13/news/economy/deportation-costs-undocumented-immigrant/index.html>

² How Much Does Illegal Immigration Cost You? Retrieved from <https://amac.us/illegal-immigration-cost-1/>

This will recoup approximately 7 billion dollars in Tax Payer money, which can be reallocated for Border Security. Further, by bringing these individuals out of the shadows, more taxes will be paid into our economy, both symbolic and actual steps to resolve some of our immigration issues will be taken, and we will be better suited for further negotiations and immigration reform.

This is not a perfect plan, but it may be one that can gain some bi-partisan support and approval. In addition, it can be a WIN for the DACA Personnel or Dreamers, the American People, and our Republican Congress / Administration.

I pray that you take this option into consideration and I continue to pray God's Protection upon you & your family and His Guidance for your Presidency!

Respectfully,

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