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America is Built by Dreamers Stop President Trump from Deporting the Dreamers

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If America throws out the Dreamers, America will be breaking apart our foundation and throwing away our future.

But I believe that most Americans want the Dreamers to stay. Well now is the time to wake up and tell Congress. And now is the time for Congress, especially the Republicans, to tell President Trump that the Dreamers must stay.

These Dreamers are of all colors and shapes and come from all parts of the globe. Yet these young people are American. They are American in their souls, in their attitudes, aspirations and expectations. And let's be frank. We need them. They power America with their toughness, passion, fortitude, hard work and spirit.

Now is the time to rise up and act for justice. Call the President. Call your representative and your senators. They need to tell the President to leave DACA in place and they need to pass the Dream Act as soon as they return from recess, which will codify and protect the Dreamers.

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