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## **Do Not Accept Poison Pill List of Demands to Save the Dreamers Pass Clean Dream Act**

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Mr. President, it is wrong to play games with the lives of innocent people. The National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd condemns your Administration's announced negotiating tactics of 'helping' the Dreamers only if Congress passes your extreme immigration and border control policies.

Over 85% of Americans recognize that these young Dreamers, who were brought here as children, should be welcomed to remain in the United States with a path to citizenship. Your Administration is wrong to put obstacles in their path. It is morally wrong for your Administration to use these young people as political pawns.

In earlier statements, Mr. President, you expressed sympathy and understanding for these young people. You should do what you know is right and what the vast majority of Americans want: welcome these young people into the only country many of them have ever known.

Announce a cease-fire in your war with the Dreamers and call on Congress to pass a clean Dream Act which you promised to sign.

*[The National Advocacy Center](#) educates and advocates on social justice issues for the transformation of society to the benefit of all people reflecting the spirituality, history and mission of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd. NAC advocates at the Federal level for people living in poverty, immigrants, victims of human trafficking, victims of domestic abuse, and other vulnerable populations.*

*The Sisters of the Good Shepherd was founded in France in 1835 and are in over 70 countries on 5 continents and have had a presence in the United States for over 175 years. With a presence in 22 states and 1 U. S. Territory, the Sisters and their Lay Mission Partners have dedicated themselves to serving girls, women and families who experience poverty, exploitation, vulnerability and marginalization.*

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