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The Honorable Jerrold Nadler  
Chairman  
U.S. House Committee on the Judiciary  
2138 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Nadler:

On behalf of the 500,000 men and women of the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA), I write to endorse H.R. 2820 and H.R. 2821, needed immigration reform bills that will be marked up in your committee this week. While LIUNA supports comprehensive immigration reform and continues to work toward that goal, these two bills protecting Dreamers and Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders are important steps forward, and we urge members of your committee to vote YES on both of these bills without any poison pill amendments.

H.R. 2820, the Dream Act of 2019, would provide a path to permanency to young Americans known as Dreamers. These young men and women are immigrants who have lived in the United States since childhood and have spent their lives contributing to this country. They are as American as those born here, except for an immigration status beyond their control. It is about time that Dreamers are able to live their lives unburdened by the fear of deportation. It would be absurd and cruel to kick them out of the country they call home. These young immigrants deserve the chance to obtain lawful permanent residence and eventual citizenship.

H.R. 2821, the American Promise Act of 2019, would protect workers from all TPS designated nations, and their immediate family members, by giving them a path to legal permanent resident status as well as eventual naturalization. Hundreds of thousands of union members have lived and worked in our country for years under TPS, paying taxes while supporting their families. These workers build America every day, and at the same time, build the U.S. economy. Ending TPS would have a significantly negative effect on the construction industry. Approximately thirty percent of TPS recipients work in construction. Termination of the TPS program would devastate these workers and their families. The construction industry needs to retain these trained and experienced workers covered by the TPS program to continue

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to build America. H.R. 2821 is needed to protect our union members, and our union is proud to endorse this important bill.

LIUNA urges all members of the Judiciary Committee to support both H.R. 2820 and H.R. 2821 without any harmful amendments. If additional information is needed, please contact Danielle LeClair, Assistant Director, Legislative and Political Department, at [dleclair@liuna.org](mailto:dleclair@liuna.org) or 202-639-4145.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Terry O'Sullivan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Terry" and last name "O'Sullivan" clearly distinguishable.

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cc: Ranking Member Doug Collins  
House Judiciary Committee Members