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Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison
284 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-4304

Dear Senator Hutchison:

I am writing on behalf of the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (HHCC) Board of Directors regarding the **Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors Act** (The "DREAM Act").

The mission of the HHCC is to serve as the leading regional advocate for the economic and civic interests of the Hispanic business community. In 2008, the HHCC developed the 2008-2018 Strategic Plan in which one of the key elements included the following:

Vision 1, Strategy 3: The HHCC will identify critical issues impacting Hispanic Businesses and the Hispanic community, in order to develop and implement core solutions.

Our Chamber represents over 3,000 members ranging from Corporate CEO's to small business owners.

As Houston continues to position itself as a city of opportunity, it is our hope that you strongly consider legislation that will support the "DREAM ACT." This type of representation would appropriately reflect Houston's diversity and commitment to its future leaders.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Dr. Laura Murillo
President & CEO

cc: Irma Diaz-Gonzalez, HHCC Chairman of the Board
Gilbert Herrera, HHCC Chair-Elect
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