We congratulate President-Elect Biden and Vice President-Elect Harris as well as the Senators and Members of the House of Representatives for the 117th Congress. As our country looks to the future and we consider how to build a more prosperous, just, and fair nation, we urge both Congress and the new administration to make clear their commitment to reform an outdated, broken immigration system. We especially call on Congress to come together and quickly provide a pathway to citizenship that would allow Dreamers to stay in the U.S. and become fully integrated into our communities.

Strong leadership and bipartisanship from Congress and the administration, starting on day one, are critical to build an immigration system that works for U.S. families, grows our economy, and strengthens communities across our nation while welcoming immigrants who wish to contribute as critical partners in our society. Polling consistently shows broad, bipartisan support for immigrants and immigration reform. Recent polls have found that over 77% of Americans believe that immigration is good for the country, and 72% believe DACA recipients should be able to remain in America, and a Fox News poll on Election Day found that 71% of Americans support legal status for undocumented immigrants. Historically, strong support has existed for immigration reform that addresses border security, expanded visa programs for high-skilled and agricultural workers, and regularizing the status of undocumented immigrants.

We can create a modern, humane, and effective immigration system that upholds the best of America’s promise: to be a nation where people can come from around the world to work, contribute, and build a better life for themselves, their families, and our society as a whole. As we begin the necessary conversations to craft the essential contributions of immigrants here today, and those to come tomorrow, will be critical to the health and well-being of American workers and their families.

Our nation’s immigration laws are decades overdue for an overhaul. To get this done, it will require the new administration and Congress to work together in a bipartisan manner. We stand ready to work together with you on this urgent, national imperative.