RESOLUTION NO. 2017-R-110

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PRESERVE THE DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS (DACA) PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, in June 2012, President Barack Obama’s administration established the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), for immigrants who came to the United States as children and created the opportunity to apply for temporary residence and eligibility for a work permit in the United States; and

WHEREAS, eligible applicants should have arrived in the U.S. before the of age sixteen (16) and have lived here continuously since June 15, 2007; and

WHEREAS, approximately seven hundred eighty-seven thousand five hundred eighty (787,580) individuals have qualified for DACA status, including fifty thousand two hundred sixteen (50,216) in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, DACA recipients are from Central America, Africa, the Caribbean and Asia; and

WHEREAS, on September 05, 2017, President Donald Trump’s administration rescinded the DACA program offering a six (6) month delay to give the United States Congress an opportunity for a legislative resolution; and

WHEREAS, on March 05, 2018, DACA recipients will begin to lose their protected status; and

WHEREAS, ending the DACA program will cause hundreds of thousands of individuals to be separated from established family, friends and their entire support networks.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:
Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Mayor and City Council Recommendation. The Mayor and City Council urge the United States Congress to preserve the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

Section 3. Transmittal. The City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the United States Congress, and to the Members of the Florida Congressional Delegation.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 5 - 0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 10th day of October, 2017.

DR. SMITH JOSEPH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFF H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN ALIX DESULME

Moved by: Joseph
Seconded by: Desulme

Vote:
Mayor Smith Joseph, D.O., Pharm. D. X (Yes) (No)

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