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STUDENTS WITHOUT U.S. CITIZENSHIP CALL FOR NEED OF LEGISLATION TO ASSIST I RELAZING
AMERICAN DREAM

A Press Conference is being scheduled by the Orange County DREAM Team, composed of college students, community supporters, and representatives of community-based organizations for Wednesday, June 29 to announce a week of activities by the group in conjunction with their counter-part in Los Angeles.

DREAM Team members and supporters will discuss their personal situations and lay out the reasons for the general community's support for introduction and passage of a DREAM Act and Student Adjustment Act in Congress.

Telephone calls will be made to U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein and U.S. Representatives Ed Royce and Loretta Sanchez to request and solidify their support for legislation to assist them in their efforts.

Participants include college students who were born outside of the United States, came to the United States at an early age by their parents, who now find themselves with less opportunities to contribute to the "American Future" even though many are now graduating from American colleges and universities because they lack their U.S. citizenship.

DATE / TIME: Wednesday, June 29, 2005
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (at conclusion of meeting of Los Amigos of Orange County)

PLACE: Jagerhaus Restaurant
2525 East Ball Road, Anaheim, CA (between Sunkist St and west of Orange 57 Freeway)

PARTICIPANTS:

~ Minerva Gomez, Student and Co-Coordinator of O.C. DREAM Team.
~ Three Students born outside of the United States who are now attending and/or have graduated from college and/or university and who do not have their American Citizenship. ~ Amin David, President of Los Amigos of Orange County. ~ Other Community Supporters.

First introduced in 2001, the DREAM Act and Student Adjustment Act are pending re-submittal as legislative bills in the House of Representatives and Senate. These bills would help thousands of hard working undocumented students in the US fulfill their dreams of higher education by providing a process for adjustment of status, financial aid, and work authorization.

WEEK OF ACTION:

As part of a Marie Gonzalez Solidarity Week of Action in Los Angeles, THE Orange County DREAM Team is asking the community to call their representatives to support legislation like the DREAM Act / Student Adjustment Act.

Tuesday, June 28: Calls to U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) to urge her to recommit her support for the DREAM Act. Senator Feinstein's Los Angeles Office: 310-914-7300.

Wednesday, June 29: Calls to U.S. Representatives Edward Royce (R-40th) at 714-992-8081 and Loretta Sanchez (D-47th) at 714-621-0102.

Thursday, June 30 (6:30 pm - 8 pm): "United We DREAM" Solidarity Vigil, Los Angeles Federal Building, Los Angeles, CA. (combined with Los Angeles DREAM Team).

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