

City of Northglenn

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U.S. Senator Michael Bennet 261 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

U.S. Senator Cory Gardner 354 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

RE: DREAM Act of 2017

Dear Senators Bennet and Gardner,

As the current Mayor of Northglenn, Colorado, and representing City Council, the city wishes to join communities across Colorado as we write to express our support for The Dream Act of 2017, to thank you both for your support of the act, and to encourage you both to be energetic champions as the bill works its way through the legislative process.

As your September 5, 2017 press release notes, "The *Dream Act of 2017* would allow a select group of young immigrants, known as Dreamers, to contribute more fully to the only country they know as home and offer a pathway to earned citizenship." We could not agree more.

These DREAMers are members of our towns and cities across the state. They are part of our communities. They contribute to our economy. For many of them, the United States is the only country they have ever known. They are doing everything we have asked of them: study and learn, work hard, pay taxes, and serve their communities. DREAMers are students, soldiers, teachers, first responders, entrepreneurs and job creators, and community volunteers.

As Mayor of Northglenn and representing City Council, our city is non-partisan, but our community is comprised of Republicans, Democrats, and Independents. We applaud your co-sponsorship of The Dream Act and encourage you to use every tool at your disposal to secure passage of a clean bill as quickly as possible.

Please let us know how we can help you in this urgent and critical effort.

Respectfully,

Mayor Joyce Downing City of Northglenn