SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

Legislative Summary

Res 31890

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Title: A RESOLUTION affirming The City of Seattle's commitment to fostering a welcoming community that protects all its residents and declaring its support for providing permanent protection and a path to citizenship for immigrant youth and Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) recipients for whom the United States is home.

Notes:

Sponsors: González

	Date
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Mayor's Signature:	5/31/2019
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Ver-sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
1	City Clerk	05/28/2019	sent for review	Council President's Office			
	Action Text: The Resolution (Res) was sent for review. to the Council President's Office						
1	Council President's Office	05/28/2019	sent for review	City Council			
	Action Text: The Resolution (Res) was sent for review. to the City Council						
1	City Council	05/28/2019	referred	City Council			
	Action Text: The Resolution (Res) was referred. to the City Council						
1	City Council	05/28/2019	adopted				Pass
	Action Text: The Motion carried, the Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution:						
	Notes: Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 31890.						

In Favor:	7	Councilmember Bagshaw, Councilmember González , Council President Harrell, Councilmember Herbold, Councilmember Juarez, Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember Pacheco
Opposed:	0	
Absent(NV):	1	Councilmember Sawant

1	City Clerk	05/30/2019	submitted for Mayor's signature	Mayor
1	Mayor	05/31/2019	Signed	
1	Mayor	06/03/2019	returned	City Clerk
1	City Clerk	06/03/2019	attested by City Clerk	

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CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION 31890

A RESOLUTION affirming The City of Seattle's commitment to fostering a welcoming community that protects all its residents and declaring its support for providing permanent protection and a path to citizenship for immigrant youth and Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) recipients for whom the United States is home.

WHEREAS, it has been nearly three decades since the United States Congress took meaningful action on passing critically needed reforms to our nation's immigration system, resulting in needless pain and suffering to millions of families who deal with the effects of a broken system and to the country as a whole; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle values being a welcoming city of community, opportunity, and equity for all residents, workers, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle adopted Resolution 30851 in 2006, Resolution 31193 in 2010, and Resolution 31490 in 2013 supporting Federal Comprehensive Immigration Reform and fostering family unity with a pathway to citizenship for the undocumented; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle adopted Resolution 31730 in 2017 affirming itself as a Welcoming City that promotes programs and policies that include all, regardless of immigration status; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle adopted Resolution 31779 in 2017 supporting the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program and denouncing harmful federal policies and hateful rhetoric against immigrant communities; and

WHEREAS, the American Dream and Promise Act of 2019 (H.R. 6) would provide permanent legal status and a pathway to citizenship for more than 2.5 million immigrant youth brought to the United States as children, some of them recipients of Deferred Action for

Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) recipients; and

WHEREAS, DACA, TPS, and DED holders are deeply-rooted in communities across America; the average Dream Act-eligible residents of Seattle came to the country at the age of 10, while the average TPS holder has been in the country for 22 years; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle metropolitan area is home to an estimated 14,100 immigrants who could be protected under the provisions included in the American Dream and Promise Act of 2019; and

WHEREAS, these residents are integral members of our community as our neighbors, our coworkers, our business owners and employers; they are students and youth who represent the energy and talent to change the world; they are mothers, fathers, and spouses of U.S. citizens, taxpayers, and beloved community members who have built their lives over many years here in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle recognizes that these immigrant households enrich and revitalize our economy, contributing an estimated $40.5 million in federal taxes and $20.1 million in state and local taxes annually, and hold $158 million in spending power; without congressional action our city could see the disappearance of their tax contributions, spending power, and mortgage payments, which would have long-lasting repercussions to our local economy; and

WHEREAS, in the absence of a permanent legislative fix, these residents who are playing an integral role in our communities are now carrying the burden of an uncertain future, which could mean losing their ability to work lawfully, being separated from their loved

ones, and ultimately being deported from the communities where they have families and deep roots; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:

Section 1. The City of Seattle will protect and promote policies of inclusion for all its residents, regardless of their immigration status; and joins a nationwide effort in pursuit of a permanent legislative solution that restores certainty and protection for Dreamers and deeply-rooted community residents like Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) recipients.

Adopted by the City Council the 28th day of May, 2019, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 28th day of May, 2019.

President _____ of the City Council

The Mayor concurred the 31st day of May, 2019.

Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

Filed by me this 3rd day of June, 2019.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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