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August 2, 2013

The Honorable John Boehner
Speaker of the House of Representatives
H-232 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Boehner,

We write to you as members of the New Democrat Coalition who believe we have reached a critical juncture in the immigration reform debate in the House of Representatives. We stand ready to work on a bipartisan basis so that together we can fix our broken immigration system once and for all. Since the beginning of the 113th Congress, you, as well as other key Republican leaders, have committed to passing immigration reform. We want you to know you can rely on the New Democrat Coalition to support a comprehensive and bipartisan immigration package that includes a pathway to citizenship.

That being said, we are frustrated that there was not a bipartisan immigration reform bill introduced prior to the August recess. We believe it is critical for Members of the House of Representatives to advance a framework for a pathway to citizenship such as the language in S. 744, Border Security, Economic Opportunity, and Immigration Modernization Act, before the end of the year.

Therefore, we write to inform you that if a bipartisan immigration reform package is not introduced in the House of Representatives – one that includes a pathway to citizenship, helps grow American jobs, and fixes our immigration system once and for all – by September 30th, we as New Democrats will consider introducing a comprehensive immigration reform bill. We firmly believe that broad bipartisan support for immigration reform that includes a pathway to citizenship already exists in the House, and we urge you to act expeditiously to advance such a bill.

We have the support of the American public. We hope we can count on your support.

Thank you,

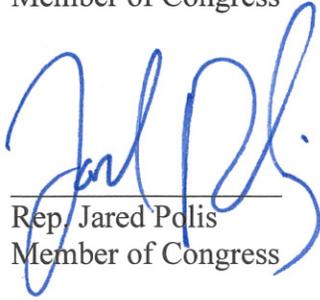
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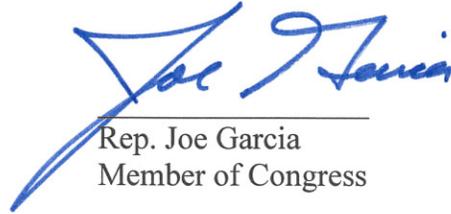
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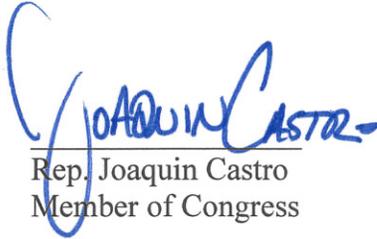
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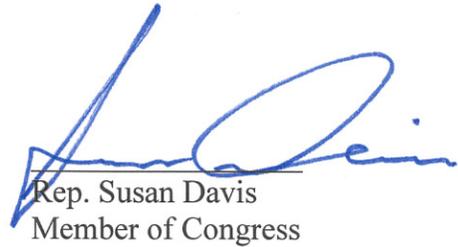
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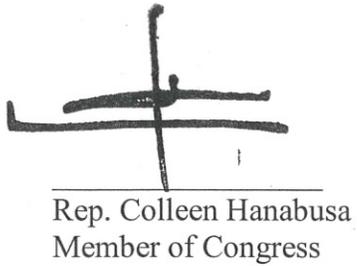


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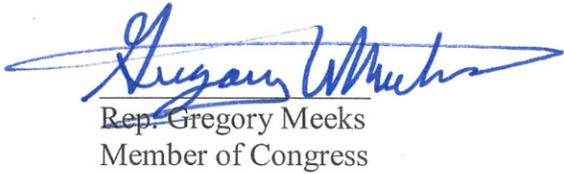

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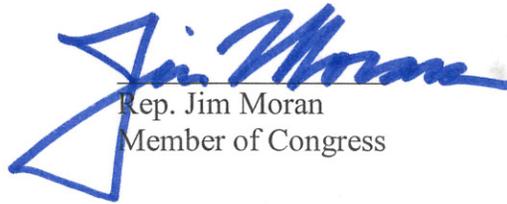

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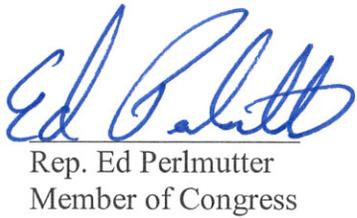

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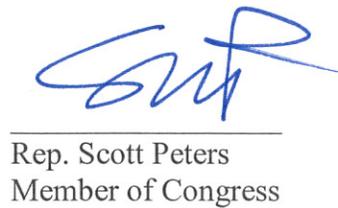

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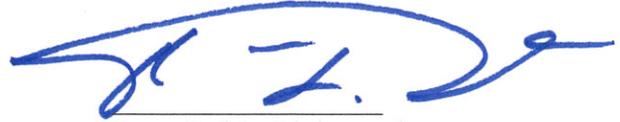

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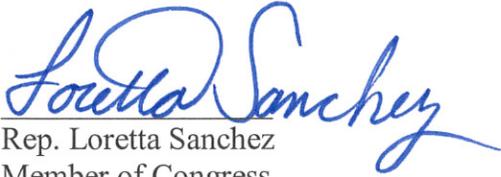

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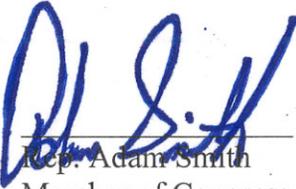
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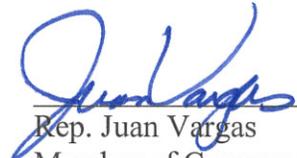
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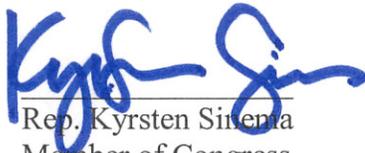
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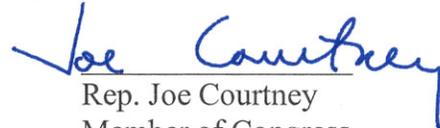
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