



**CHIRLA**  
Coalition for Humane  
Immigrant Rights

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U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Support - Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi for Speaker**

Dear Member of Congress:

On behalf of the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA), an immigrant rights statewide-grassroots organization based in California with national impact, **I write urging you to support Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi for Speaker of the House of Representatives.**

Democratic Leader Pelosi made history by becoming the first woman to be elected Speaker of the House of Representatives in 2007. As a Speaker, she spearheaded landmarked legislation such as the Affordable Health Care Act, which is now covers millions of people across the nation and it is supported by the majority of the American public. Furthermore, in 2010 the House of Representative with the leadership of Democratic Leader Pelosi passed a clean Dream Act and sent it to the U.S Senate for action.

We firmly believe that our government systems should be truly representative of their constituency and that our elected officials must thoroughly understand the issues affecting their constituents, this includes immigration law and policy. Democratic Leader Pelosi does this well. She knows that his district is composed of diverse backgrounds, different socioeconomic backgrounds, working families, and immigrant families, both documented and undocumented. She strives to deeply understand the plight of immigrant families, their contributions to our nation and the policy solutions that advance their rights and allow them to thrive.

As a representative of California for more than 30 years, we have worked directly with Democratic Leader Pelosi on a spectrum of legislative issues and she has proven successfully pursued various legislative proposals to advance protection for the most vulnerable and increasing opportunities for working class families, lastly she has proven to be fight for the dignity for immigrant families during the last two-years in which our immigrant families have being targeted by the Trump Administration. She has adamantly stood against the ill use of taxpayer dollars to pay for an immoral border wall and has worked directly with us to advance the protection of immigrant youth, TPS holders and their families. She has stood with us when we needed her most. She has proven to us that your words of support are matched by courageous actions in favor of our communities.

For all the aforementioned reasons, we strongly urge you to elect Democratic Leader Pelosi to be the next Speaker of the House of Representatives. If you need to contact me, I can be reached at 213-210-6734

Sincerely,

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Executive Director