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On September 5th, 2017, the executive administration announced the end of the program for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or otherwise known as DACA. Though DACA did not offer a long-term solution for undocumented youth, it did provide some access to higher education and employment opportunities. While immigrant allies have advocated for to pass the DREAM Act, a permanent bipartisan solution, support for the bill has fallen short since it was first introduced in 2000.

This is why it has become more critical than ever to show our support to pass the 2017 Dream Act. United We Dream, the largest immigrant youth-led organization, created the 2017 Dream Act with the intention to cover more people than any other Dream Act in history. It reflects the dreams and wishes of immigrant youth leaders from across the country.

- 2017 Dream Act (in brief)
 - Introduced in both House and Senate
 - Bipartisan support in both chambers
 - Entered the U.S. before the age of 18
 - DACA recipients eligible for citizenship within 5 years
 - Non-DACA recipients eligible for citizenship within 13 years

November 9th will mark two months since the end of DACA and we have one month left to demand congress to act in support of immigrant rights. A *clean* DREAM Act means:

- NO funding for a border wall and increased border security
- NO Dangerous add-ons that would terrorize parents
- NO funding for detention centers or increased internal security

M.E.Ch.A. at the University of Oregon and Lane Community College M.E.Ch.A stand with United We Dream, Causa Oregon, One Oregon and many other organizations to join the National Day of Action on November 9th 2017 in support of passing the 2017 *clean* DREAM Act.

