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WASHINGTON, D.C., September 5, 2017 - U.S. Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.) today released the following statement on President Trump's decision to end the Deferred Action on Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program:

“Just as President Nixon went to China, President Trump uniquely can lead a revision of our immigration laws that secures our borders, improves our system of legal immigration and solves problems such as the 800,000 children who grew up here, but were brought here illegally. I voted for such a law in 2013 and am willing to work with the president to do that again.”

In 2013, (<https://www.alexander.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/pressreleases?ID=2E15FCCE-7DBE-41B4-812B-F4DB73CF184E>) Alexander voted for the Border Security, Economic Opportunity, and Immigration Modernization Act of 2013 which would have dramatically strengthened border security, ended de facto amnesty and helped fix our legal immigration system. The legislation would have allowed law abiding children who were brought into the U.S. illegally to apply for legal permanent resident status if they earned a high school diploma and completed at least two years of college or honorably served in the military for four years. The U.S. Senate passed the legislation, but the bill was not considered by the U.S. House of Representatives.

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