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Upton Statement on DACA

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U.S. Rep. Fred Upton, R-St. Joseph, today released the following statement on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program:

"For these young men and women, the United States is their home. They've been raised in our neighborhoods, attended our schools, served in our military, and worked in our communities. I've met with countless concerned individuals impacted by DACA and heard from local universities, restaurant and small business owners, as well as my farmer friends who all agree we must take care of these folks. This is why I've long-supported using a compassionate but accountable way to legislatively address these undocumented minors brought to our country through no fault of their own.

"Rather than executive order, it is the responsibility of Congress to work together on fair, rigorous, and bipartisan legislation that addresses the long-term uncertainty facing these young people. To that end, I have already co-sponsored two bills that represent common-sense ways to address DACA. In the coming weeks and months I will continue to work with anyone to fix our long-broken immigration system and to give certainty to Dreamers who know no country but America."

Background: Upton is a co-sponsor of H.R. 496, the BRIDGE Act, and the Recognizing America's Children (RAC) Act.

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