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Mr. Michael Fresco
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Dear Mr. Fresco,

The New Mexico Conference of Churches supports the law suit being brought by the Attorneys General from NM and other states to halt the repeal of DACA. We request the honor of signing on to the Amicus Brief by the religious community in this matter.

The New Mexico Conference of Churches is a statewide network of churches working for the wellbeing of New Mexico's peoples and environment. Our congregations welcome the gifts of all people in the name of Christ no matter their immigration status. Our member congregations, and the communities in which they serve, include DACA recipients and their families. We call for ongoing support and protection of DACA recipients.

By our baptism, we are united in Christ and called to care for the least of these (Matthew 25:40) and to love our neighbors as ourselves (Matthew 22:39). DACA recipients, immigrants, and refugees are our neighbors and we are compelled by our faith to seek and serve Christ in each person. We believe that justice and peace are served when the rights of all people--especially vulnerable young people, immigrants and refugees--are protected.

Thank you for your efforts to support the members of our congregations and communities who are covered by DACA.

Grace and Peace,

Rev. Susan J. Quass
Executive Director

CC: NM Faith Coalition for Immigrant Justice

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Community of Christ, The Episcopal Church,
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United Church of Christ, The United Methodist Church



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