



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN

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**MANHATTAN BOROUGH BOARD RESOLUTION
IN SUPPORT OF
PASSAGE OF THE NEW YORK STATE DREAM ACT AND DREAM FUND**

WHEREAS, America is a nation of immigrants and New York City is sustained by our immigrant past, present and future; and

WHEREAS, New York City is home to the largest population of immigrants of any city in the U.S.; well over three million foreign-born residents comprise nearly 40 percent of New York City's total population; and immigrants compose over 40 percent of the city's workforce and are essential to our economic output and stability; and

WHEREAS, over 30 percent of Manhattan's residents are foreign-born and a number of the borough's community districts are majority foreign-born; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York and the nation as a whole could benefit from passage of DREAM legislation including the NYS DREAM Act (S.4179-b/A.6829-b) and NYS DREAM Fund (A. 8689); and

WHEREAS, the federal DREAM Act Legislation has failed to pass; and

WHEREAS, the States of Texas, California, New Mexico and Illinois have voted to sign DREAM legislation into law; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York must move to pass the NYS DREAM Act and NYS DREAM Fund in order to enable our youth to maximize their potential and make valuable economic and social impacts in our communities, strengthening our ability to compete and thrive in a global economy and society

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Manhattan Borough Board applauds Senator Perkins and Assemblymember Linares for the introduction of the New York State DREAM Act; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manhattan Borough Board applauds Assemblymember Moya for his introduction of the New York State DREAM Fund; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manhattan Borough Board offers full support for the DREAM legislation introduced in the State Assembly and State Senate that will open doors for higher education and civic engagement to all students in New York State regardless of their immigration status; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manhattan Borough Board urges passage of the New York State DREAM legislation.