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country as adults; and,

**WHEREAS**, on March 8, 2021 the United States House of Representatives introduced the Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2021, which would provide undocumented farmworkers, who are invaluable to our country's economy and have lived in this country for years, and their family members with a path to earn citizenship; and,

**WHEREAS**, on April 30, 2021 the United States House of Representatives reintroduced the American Families United Act to address barriers to family unity for U.S. citizens and their spouses and children; and,

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2021 the U.S. Conference of Mayors sent a letter to the House of Representatives urging that body to support the passage of the American Dream and Promise Act of 2021; and,

**WHEREAS**, on March 18, 2021 the House of Representatives passed both the American Dream and Promise Act of 2021 and the Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2021; and,

**WHEREAS**, on March 18, 2021 the White House released a statement by President Biden indicating his support for the American Dream and Promise Act of 2021, and commended the House of Representatives for passing that law; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Biden administration has expressed its interest in working with Congress to enact solutions to help build a humane immigration system grounded in dignity, safety, and fairness leading to a path to citizenship for undocumented individuals in the United States; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Austin is committed to protecting its immigrant residents and supporting immigration reform; and,

**WHEREAS**, a part of the City’s 2021 federal legislative agenda calls for the 117<sup>th</sup> Congress to support policies that keep families together and provide immediate reunification of separated families, as well as legislation that provides comprehensive immigration reform and a path to citizenship for immigrants;

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

The City of Austin recognizes and celebrates the value of immigrants within our community and reaffirms its support for federal legislation that keeps families together and provides comprehensive immigration reform and a path to citizenship for immigrants, including but not limited to persons covered by the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

The Council urges the United States Congress to fully pass, and the President to sign into law, the American Families United Act, the American Dream and Promise Act of 2021, and the Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2021 in order to reform our country's immigration system.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

The City Manager is directed to send copies of this resolution to the Texas delegations in the United States Congress and to the President of the United States.

**ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 **ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk