

Voces de la Frontera: Wisconsin undocumented 'Dreamers' demand Democrats and Republicans pass the Dream Act before Christmas

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WHO: Voces de la Frontera, YES (Youth Empowered in the Struggle), Families of undocumented immigrants, DACA recipients, and their allies.

WHAT: Thursday, December 21st, 2017 as part of national protests demanding that Democrats and Republicans withhold their vote on the Continuing Resolution on the budget unless the Dream Act is included, Voces is holding a Christmas posada, acting out the biblical story of Mary & Joseph seeking sanctuary before the birth of Jesus Christ. The group will travel on a bus to the offices of Senator Johnson, Senator Baldwin, Congresswoman Moore, and Speaker Paul Ryan asking for sanctuary for Dreamers in their fight for the Dream Act-legislation that would allow for undocumented youth to pursue citizenship and would protect them from deportation. Testimony will include a Dreamer and the delivery of a letter with our demand that they vote against the continuing resolution bill unless it includes the Dream Act. Supporters will have candles, songs and a musician with the theme of sanctuary for Dreamers.

WHEN: Tuesday, December 19th, 12:00 pm CST – 4:00 PM CST (Multiple stops and opportunities for press within this timeframe)

WHERE:

12:00 PM FIRST STOP SEN. JOHNSON MILWAUKEE OFFICE 517 E WISCONSIN AVE,
MILWAUKEE WI

1:00 PM SECOND STOP REP. GWEN MOORE'S OFFICE 633 W WISCONSIN AVE
MILWAUKEE, WI

2:00 PM THIRD STOP SEN. BALDWIN'S MILWAUKEE OFFICE
316 N MILWAUKEE ST. MILWAUKEE, WI

3:30 PM FINAL STOP HOUSE SPEAKER PAUL RYAN 216 6TH
ST, RACINE, WI 53403

WHY: The purpose of this action is to put pressure on representatives of the Wisconsin senate and congress to vote "no" on the budget unless a clean Dream Act is included because a budget that does not include a Dream Act is a budget to deport dreamers. This action will be a final effort to push Congress to do the right thing and keep families together before they go home to their families for the holidays. "the future of thousands are in the hands of our elected officials we need them to take a stand and see the Dream Act passed" Said Yarle Suarez a 17 year old YES leader and Junior at Riverside High School in Milwaukee. Ms. Suarez is also an undocumented youth that was preparing to apply for the Obama era Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival or DACA program until the Trump administration canceled accepting any new applicants in preparation for terminating the program in March of 2018. "Not know what my future looks like is frustrating. All my friends have life after high set for them, but I am stuck. Ending DACA stripped me of my basic rights to work, to drive and to identify myself, and my to access high education. " Said Suarez