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FORWARD LATINO APPLAUDS PASSAGE OF DACA PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BILL *Legislation will strengthen Wisconsin's workforce and economy!*

Franklin, WI – Forward Latino, a non-profit, non-partisan service and advocacy organization headquartered in Franklin, Wisconsin and with members and affiliates in 29 states issued the follow statement following the signing of Wisconsin's new DACA Professional Licensing bill into law by Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers.

Statement by National President Darryl Morin:

“Forward Latino proudly extends its sincere gratitude to the authors of SB 745, and to Governor Tony Evers for signing this critical legislation into law. This landmark achievement represents a significant step forward for Wisconsin's workforce, economy, and communities.

By removing unnecessary barriers to professional licensing, this new law will help address Wisconsin's ongoing workforce shortage while ensuring that highly skilled, dedicated, and hardworking individuals can continue contributing their talents within our state. DACA recipients, many of whom have been educated and trained in Wisconsin, will now have a fair opportunity to fully participate in licensed professions, strengthening key sectors such as healthcare, education, the trades and beyond.

Forward Latino is especially proud to have helped build a broad, unprecedented coalition of support for this legislation. This diverse alliance included elected officials from both political parties, businesses and major chambers of commerce, labor organizations and trade associations, healthcare providers and associations, faith-based groups, service and advocacy organizations, and higher education institutions. Together, this coalition demonstrated the power of unity in advancing practical, bipartisan solutions that benefit all Wisconsinites.

We congratulate our DACA recipients for working so hard to reach their goals and are proud they will now be able to live their passion, by working in their licensed fields here in the great state of Wisconsin!”

A special video message by National President Morin can be viewed at:
<https://youtu.be/I0113H3EA9U> .

About Forward Latino:

Forward Latino advocates for community empowerment, democracy, and civil rights while addressing hate crimes, gun violence, and the needs of veterans and working families. We train and support a diverse network of Hispanic leaders to meet the civic, economic, and political challenges of the 21st century. Learn more at www.forwardlatino.org .

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