

## County of Monterey

**Board of Supervisors** 

Luis A. Alejo, District 1 Glenn Church, District 2 Chris M. Lopez, Chair, District 3 Wendy Root Askew, Vice Chair, District 4 Kate Daniels, District 5 Clerk of the Board 168 West Alisal St. 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901 831 755 5066 cob@co.monterey.ca.us

August 14, 2025

The Honorable Zoe Lofgren 1401 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Re: H.R. 4696, the Renewing Immigration Provisions of the Immigration Act of 1929 Act - SUPPORT

Dear Representative Lofgren:

On behalf of the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, I am writing to express our support for H.R. 4696, the *Renewing Immigration Provisions of the Immigration Act of 1929 Act*.

This bill would broaden a pathway to permanency for missions of long-term U.S. residents. The Renewing Immigration Provisions of the Immigration Act of 1929 would update the existing Registry statute so that an immigrant may qualify for lawful permanent resident status if they have lived in the U.S. continuously for at least seven years before filing an application for lawful permanent resident status and are of good moral character.

The legislation would provide a much-needed pathway to a green card for more than 8 million people, including Dreamers, forcibly displaced citizens (TPS holders), children of long-term visa holders, essential workers, and highly skilled members of our workforce. According to <a href="Fwd.us">Fwd.us</a> estimates, if the undocumented individuals covered in this bill became citizens, they would contribute approximately \$121 billion to the U.S. economy annually and about \$35 billion in taxes.

We are pleased to offer our support for the *Renewing Immigration Provisions of the Immigration Act of 1929 Act*, and we thank you for your leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

## DRAFT

**Chris M. Lopez, Chair** Board of Supervisors

cc: The Honorable Jimmy Panetta, 19th Congressional District

