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Commissioner Fish Statement on President Trump's Decision to Rescind DACA

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Today, Donald Trump took our country backward. Again.

I join my colleagues on the City Council in condemning today's misguided and cruel action.

800,000 young people living in America – who proudly call our country home – will be impacted by this decision.

So will their families, their friends, their communities, their employers – all of us.

Fear and uncertainty are daily realities for DACA recipients, and today's announcement only heightens those anxieties.

Today the President violated basic American principles of fairness – that we honor hard work and opportunity for all.

That may be why over two-thirds of Americans oppose this action, and why Fortune 500 companies are speaking out forcefully.

America is better than this; we must be better than this.

As your City Commissioner, I stand with each of you.

As an employer, I proudly stand with Mariana Garcia Medina, a Dreamer with a very bright future in our community.

This is a moral test. We call upon the Congress to stand up for our shared values and to provide a bridge for all Dreamers seeking a better life in America.