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**We Must Bring Immigrant Families Out Of The Shadows and
Into the Folds of the American Dream**

Statement by Senator Menéndez on Supreme Court's Ruling on DACA/DAPA

San Antonio, Texas - State Senator José Menéndez, Vice-Chair of the Senate Hispanic Caucus, issued the following statement after the Supreme Court ruled on the President's executive orders of Deferred Action for Parents of Americans (DACA) and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DAPA).

The following quotes are attributable to Senator José Menéndez:

"I am disappointed with the Supreme Court's decision regarding Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals and Deferred Action for Parents of Americans. It is unacceptable that millions of hard-working men and women are now cast aside and treated as second-class citizens. President Obama rightly recognized the tragedy the U.S. immigration policy imposed on undocumented immigrants. This decision undoes the progress made by the President, while also leaving no clear path forward for the millions of undocumented immigrants living in the United States."

"With the Supreme Court's decision, our friends and neighbors will be forced back into the shadows. The Texas economy and its rich Hispanic culture will suffer. An entire population that aspires to the American dream is now forced to retreat from the public eye in fear they may be swept away from their family."

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State Senator José Menéndez is Vice-Chair of the Senate Hispanic Caucus and represents Senate District 26 in San Antonio, TX. He is currently a member of the Senate Committees on Higher Education, Criminal Justice, and Intergovernmental Relations.