

Texas A&M University
Graduate and Professional Student Council
General Assembly
2017-2018 Session

**A Resolution in Favor of Increasing the Number of
Employment-Based (EB) Green Cards**

Presented by Fernando Lavalle and Brenna Lin on March 6, 2018

Whereas: The Graduate and Professional Student Council exists to govern and to serve as the voice of all graduate and professional students at Texas A&M University.

Whereas: The U.S. immigration law provides opportunities for high-skilled foreign nationals to become lawful permanent residents through employment in the United States.

Whereas: The employment based (EB) green cards are given to foreign nationals with extraordinary ability in the sciences, arts, education, business, or athletics; outstanding professors and researchers; members of professions holding advanced degrees or who have exceptional ability (including requests for national interest waivers); skilled workers, professionals, or other workers. [1]

Whereas: The current quota for the total number of EB green cards is 140,000 per year, and high-skilled workers from large countries like China and India have average waiting times of five and ten years, respectively, to obtain an EB green card. [2]

And
Whereas: The prolonged waiting time and uncertainty in permanent legal residency prohibit those skilled workers to fully participate and contribute in the U.S. economy.

Let it be
Resolved: The Graduate and Professional Student Council at Texas A&M University is in favor of increasing the amount of EB green cards issued per year.

Let it be A copy of this resolution shall be posted and delivered to:

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 U.S. Senate
Resolved: Sen. Ted Cruz
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 U.S. Representative
 Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee
 U.S. Representative
 Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson

[1] Green Card for Employment-Based Immigrants, USCIS. (Available Online) <https://www.uscis.gov/green-card/employment-based>

[2] Visa Bulletin, January 2018. (Available Online)

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/legal/visa-law0/visa-bulletin/2018/visa-bulletin-for-january-2018.html>

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Rep. Beto O'Rourke
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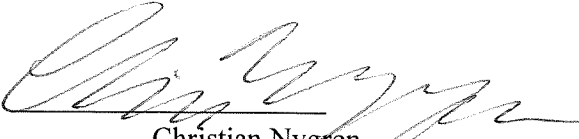
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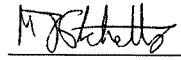
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Action Taken: passed

Certified By: 
Christian Nygren
Executive Vice President

Date: 4/3/2018

Duly Approved By: 
Matthew Etchells
President

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