

**Bring End to Us vs Them by Suspending Deportations, Ensuring
Inclusion of All 11 Million in Reform**

NDLON Reacts to President Obama's Speech on Immigration Reform

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In response to the President's Speech on Immigration Reform, **Pablo Alvarado**, Director of the National Day Laborer Organizing Network issued the following statement:

"The President should immediately follow his speech with an order suspending deportations as the first step to open a pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants. Demonstrating that all 11 million undocumented people deserve the same relief given to the Dreamers will set the debate in the right direction and remove divisions between 'us and them.'

Ceasing the deportation of those he states he wishes to legalize is what will give the President's speech meaning and what can distinguish it from similar speeches delivered over the past 12 years.

The pursuit of political equality for all 11 million undocumented people and strengthening of workers rights for all must be the central focus in the days to come."