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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my unequivocal support for the reintroduction of the Venezuelan Adjustment Act, HR 1348, on February 19, 2025. As this pivotal legislation is once again presented by our esteemed representatives in Congress, it represents a significant and compassionate step toward granting lawful permanent residency to certain Venezuelan nationals who were legally admitted to the United States before December 31, 2021.

The City of Doral is proud to be home to one of the largest Venezuelan communities in the United States. The majority of these residents are law-abiding individuals who have diligently respected our laws, worked tirelessly, contributed taxes, and educated their children in our schools. They have successfully integrated into our community and are not the individuals we seek to remove from our country. Instead, they are business owners, students, teachers, professionals, and workers who have significantly contributed to the prosperity of cities like Doral.

While I wholeheartedly support President Trump's firm stance on border security and his commitment to addressing those who exploit our immigration system, I believe it is critical to recognize that many Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders are not part of this crisis.

As Mayor, I am acutely aware of the challenges facing our Venezuelan community now more than ever. The Venezuelan Adjustment Act HR 1348 addresses the needs of over 400,000 Venezuelans who have established their lives in the United States but now confront an uncertain future. The absence of proper legal status exposes them to economic instability, the distress of family separation, and the risk of being returned to a country still engulfed in political and humanitarian crises.



It is imperative that we take urgent action to pass a fair and comprehensive immigration solution. Thousands of Venezuelan families have put down roots in the United States, and they now face significant uncertainties.

I stand ready to assist and collaborate in any possible way to ensure the success of this Act. Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of those seeking a better future in our great nation.

I sincerely appreciate your commitment to this important cause and look forward to celebrating the success of the Venezuelan Adjustment Act HR 1348, along with the positive impact it will undoubtedly have on the lives of so many.

Sincerely,

Christi Fraga

Mayor, City of Doral