



Executive Council

Newton Jones
First Vice President
Terry O'Sullivan
Second Vice President
James T. Callahan
Third Vice President
Kenneth Rigmaiden
Fourth Vice President

Joseph Sellers, Jr.
Fifth Vice President
Lonnie Stephenson
Sixth Vice President
Eric Dean
Seventh Vice President
Robert Martinez, Jr.
Eighth Vice President

Daniel E. Stepano
Ninth Vice President
Mark McManus
Tenth Vice President
Gregory Revard
Eleventh Vice President

James Hart, President

Metal Trades Department, AFL-CIO • 815 16th Street, NW • Washington, DC 20006

Phone: 202-508-3705 • Fax: 202-508-3706 • Email: jhart@metaltrades.org • www.metaltrades.org

March 18, 2021

Dear Representative,

On behalf of the Metal Trades Department, AFL-CIO, and its 17 affiliated international unions, I write to you voicing our support for the American Dream and Promise Act of 2021 (H.R. 6), which will provide a well-earned path to citizenship to thousands of American military veterans and their families, allowing our nation to truly thank them for their service.

All veterans deserve dignity when they transition from military to civilian life — on the job and in their community. At the Metal Trades, many of the union members we represent served in our nation's armed forces before joining the ranks of our labor unions and, among those members, many are Dreamers. It is appalling that the thousands of Dreamers who joined the military and honorably served the United States in active combat roles have been deported after making so many sacrifices for our nation. With H.R. 6, you can correct this injustice.

The American Dream and Promise Act will provide stability to a vital part of our military community and will make our military stronger. We ask you to support the Dream and Promise Act and reject punitive amendments that criminalize our immigrant communities and disempower workers.

These selfless individuals serve the military and their communities across every state and U.S. territory. They deserve our thanks, and the American Dream and Promise Act would be a good first step towards showing them our appreciation. I urge you to pass H.R. 6.

In Solidarity,

James Hart
President