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Honorable Members of Congress  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Member of Congress:

We commend you as you once more take up the task of effecting comprehensive immigration reform. The Society of Jesus (“Jesuits”) sponsors a broad array of ministries in education, pastoral care and social service throughout the country. In these ministries, our members and lay colleagues, professors and students, partners and parishioners regularly witness the tragic consequences of our current immigration system.


We reiterate the call of the Catholic Bishops of the United States for immediate action on comprehensive immigration reform based on the following principles:

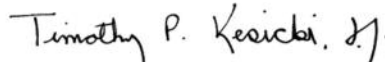
- A path to citizenship that ensures that all undocumented immigrants have access to full rights
- A legal employment structure that protects both migrants and United States workers
- Expedited family reunification and an end to policies and practices that exacerbate family separation
- Due process protections, and accountable and humane enforcement of our immigration laws
- Economic assistance to and fair competition with developing countries


These principles, which we outlined in detail for you in our 2011 letter, provide the framework for a comprehensive immigration reform package that is fair, just and humane. It is our sincere belief that these principles provide a blueprint for updating our nation’s immigration system in a way that promotes the common good, protects national security, respects human rights, invigorates economic growth, and acknowledges our heritage as a nation of immigrants.


Attached to this letter you will find a list of over 200 Jesuit communities, affiliated organizations, parishes and institutions throughout the United States that joined us in 2011 in calling for laws that protect our immigrant brothers and sisters. Please know that you have the support of a wide variety of our Jesuit ministries as you seek ways to welcome the stranger in our midst!


Respectfully,


  
Very Rev. Michael F. Weiler, SJ  
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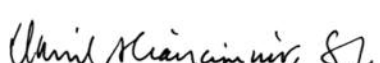
  
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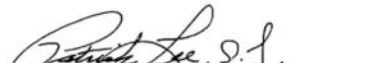
  
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Provincial, Missouri Province


  
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Provincial, New York Province

  
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Provincial, Oregon Province

  
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Provincial, Wisconsin Province

  
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President, Jesuit Conference

#### **NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

America Magazine  
Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities  
Ignatian Solidarity Network  
Ignatian Volunteer Corps  
Jesuit Commission on Social and International Ministry  
Jesuit Refugee Service USA  
Jesuit Secondary Education Association  
Jesuit Volunteer Corps  
National Jesuit Committee on Investment Responsibility  
PICO National Network

#### **ALASKA**

Brother Joe Prince Community

#### **ALABAMA**

Spring Hill College  
Spring Hill College Jesuit Community

#### **ARIZONA**

Brophy College Preparatory  
Jesuit Community of Nogales  
Kino Border Initiative  
Phoenix Jesuit Community  
St. Francis Xavier Parish

#### **CALIFORNIA**

Bellarmino College Prep  
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church  
Casa Luis Espinal Jesuit Community  
Colombière Jesuit Community  
Companions in Ignatian Service & Spirituality  
Cristo Rey High School  
Dolores Mission Elementary School  
Dolores Mission Parish  
Homeboy Industries  
Ignatian Volunteer Corps Los Angeles  
Ignatian Volunteer Corps San Diego  
Jesuit Community at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
Jesuit Community at the Jesuit School of Theology  
Jesuit Community of Fresno  
Jesuit Community of San Diego Casa Miguel Pro  
Jesuit Community of the Jesuit Retreat Center of Los Altos  
Jesuit High School, Sacramento  
Jesuit Novitiate of the Three Companions  
Jesuit Restorative Justice Initiative  
Jesuit Retreat Center of Los Altos  
Loyola House Jesuit Community, San Francisco  
Loyola Institute for Spirituality  
Loyola Jesuit Community, Los Angeles  
Loyola Marymount Jesuit Community  
Loyola Marymount University

**CALIFORNIA (continued)**

Loyola Productions, Inc.  
Manresa Jesuit Community of Anaheim  
Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
Most Holy Trinity School  
Murray Residence Jesuit Community  
Our Lady of Grace Nativity School  
Our Lady of Guadalupe Church  
Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Santa Barbara  
Proyecto Pastoral, Los Angeles  
Sacramento Jesuit Community  
Sacred Heart Nativity School  
Santa Barbara Jesuit Community  
Santa Clara Jesuit Community  
Santa Clara University  
St. Agnes Parish  
St. Ignatius Church, San Francisco  
St. Ignatius Loyola Parish  
University of San Francisco  
Verbum Dei High School  
Verbum Dei Work Study, Inc.  
Xavier College Preparatory

**CONNECTICUT**

Fairfield Jesuit Community  
Fairfield University  
Fairfield College Preparatory School

**COLORADO**

Arrupe Jesuit High School  
Regis University

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Georgetown University  
Holy Trinity Jesuit Community  
Holy Trinity Parish

**GEORGIA**

Atlanta Jesuit Community  
Cristo Rey Atlanta Jesuit High School  
Ignatius House, Atlanta  
Jesuit Volunteers of Atlanta

**ILLINOIS**

Chicago Detroit Province Staff  
Chicago Jesuit Academy at Resurrection Campus  
Christ the King Cristo Rey High School  
Ignatian Spirituality Project  
Loyola University Chicago  
Jesuit Volunteer Corps Chicago North Community  
St. Procopius/Holy Trinity Parishes

Taylor Street Jesuit Community  
Woodlawn Jesuit Community

**INDIANA**

Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School

**IOWA**

Creighton University Retreat Center

**LOUISIANA**

Jesuit Fathers, Manresa Retreat House  
Jesuit Novitiate, Louisiana  
Jesuit Social Research Institute  
Jesuit Volunteers - Henriette Delille House  
Jesuit Volunteers - Thomas Stahel House  
Manresa Retreat House  
St. Charles Borromeo Parish  
Stuart H. Smith Law Clinic & Center for  
Social Justice, Loyola University College of Law  
The Jesuits of Grand Coteau  
Twomey Center for Peace through Justice at  
Loyola University  
Loyola University Jesuit Community

**MAINE**

Our Lady of Hope Parish, Portland  
St. Ignatius Jesuit Residence, Portland

**MARYLAND**

Catholic Community of St. Ignatius Parish  
Columbière Jesuit Community  
Georgetown Prep Jesuit Community North Bethesda, MD  
Georgetown Preparatory School  
Loyola Blakefield  
Loyola on the Potomac Retreat House, Faulkner  
Loyola University Maryland  
Jesuit Community of Loyola University Maryland  
St. Alphonsus Rodriguez Church  
St. Ignatius Jesuit Community, Baltimore  
St. Ignatius Loyola Academy

**MASSACHUSETTS**

Blessed Peter Faber Jesuit Community, Boston  
Boston College  
Boston College High School  
Boston College Jesuit Community  
Campion Health Center  
Campion Residence and Renewal Center  
Jesuit Community, Campion Center  
Loyola House Jesuit Community, Boston  
Nativity School, Worcester  
St. Ignatius Parish, Chestnut Hill

**MICHIGAN**

Ann Arbor Jesuit Community  
Colombiere Center Jesuit Community  
Jesuit Community of Manresa, Jesuit Retreat House  
Jesuit Community of the University of Detroit Jesuit  
High School and Academy  
JVC Detroit 7 Mile  
St. Mary Student Parish at the University of Michigan  
University of Detroit Mercy Jesuit Community  
University of Detroit Mercy Immigration Law Clinic

**MINNESOTA**

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, Twin Cities  
Ignatian Associates, Twin Cities  
Ignatian Volunteer Corps, Minneapolis  
Jesuit Novitiate  
Markoe Jesuit Community, Minneapolis  
St. Thomas More Catholic Community

**MISSOURI**

Pax Christi chapter of St. Louis University High School  
Saint Louis University Department of Campus Ministry  
Saint Louis University High School  
White House Retreat Jesuit Community

**NEBRASKA**

Center for Health Policy and Ethics  
Christian Life Community – North Central  
Creighton Center for Service and Justice  
Creighton Prep  
Creighton Prep Jesuit Community  
Creighton University  
Creighton University Jesuit Community  
Deglman Center for Ignatian Spirituality  
Gesu Housing  
Ignatian Associate Conservi (NE, WI, MN)  
Ignatian Associates, Omaha  
Ignatian Volunteer Corps, Omaha  
Jesuit Academy, staff  
Mulumba House Jesuit Community  
St. Benedict the Moor Parish  
St. John's Parish

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Sts. Mary and Joseph Parish

**NEW JERSEY**

St. Peter's Jesuit Community  
St. Peter's Prep  
St. Peter's University

**NEW MEXICO**

Immaculate Conception Church  
Jesuits of Albuquerque

**NEW YORK**

14th Street Jesuit Community  
America House Jesuit Community  
Brooklyn Jesuit Prep  
Canisius College  
Canisius High School  
Canisius Jesuit Community  
Ciszek Hall Jesuit Community  
Cristo Rey High School  
Fordham Prep  
Fordham University  
Jesuit Community of the Immaculate Conception  
Kohlmann Hall, Bronx, NY  
LeMoyne College  
LeMoyne Jesuit Community  
Loyola School, New York City  
McQuaid Jesuit Community  
McQuaid Jesuit School of Rochester  
Murray-Weigel Hall Jesuit Community  
Regis High School, New York city  
Spellman Hall Jesuit Community at Fordham  
St. Andrew Hall Community  
St. Anthony's Jesuit Community  
St. Anthony's Parish  
St. Francis Xavier Church  
St. Ignatius Jesuit Community  
St. Ignatius Loyola Parish  
St. Ignatius School  
St. Michael's Jesuit Community  
St. Michael's Parish  
Westbury Jesuit Community  
Xavier High School  
Xavier Jesuit Community

**NORTH CAROLINA**

Holy Cross Catholic Church, Durham  
Jesuit Community of Eastern North Carolina  
St. Peter's Catholic Church, Charlotte  
St. Raphael Catholic Church, Raleigh

**OHIO**

Claver Jesuit Ministry  
Gesu Parish  
Jesuit Spiritual Center at Milford  
John Carroll University  
John Carroll University Center for Service and Social Action  
John Carroll University Office of Campus Ministry

**OHIO (continued)**

St. Ignatius High School  
St. John's Jesuit High School and Academy  
St. Xavier Church  
Walsh Jesuit High School

**PENNSYLVANIA**

Gesu School, Philadelphia  
Scranton Jesuit Community  
St. Joseph's Prep School, Philadelphia  
St. Joseph's University  
St. Joseph's University Jesuit Community  
The Jesuit Center, Wernersville  
The University of Scranton

**SOUTH DAKOTA**

Holy Rosary Jesuit Community at Red  
Cloud Indian School, Inc.  
Kino Jesuit Community of South Dakota  
Sioux Spiritual Center  
St. Francis Mission  
St. Isaac Jogues Parish

**TEXAS**

Houston Program Office of the Jesuit Volunteer Corps  
Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas  
Jesuit Community at Montserrat Retreat House  
Jesuit Volunteers of Houston  
Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church  
The Jesuit Community of Jesuit College  
Preparatory School of Dallas

**VIRGINIA**

Sacred Heart Center, Richmond  
Sacred Heart Parish, Richmond

**WASHINGTON**

Arrupe Jesuit Community at Seattle University  
Gonzaga University  
Seattle University  
SEEL-Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life of Puget Sound

**WEST VIRGINIA**

Wheeling Jesuit University  
Whelan Hall Jesuit Residence, Wheeling

**WISCONSIN**

Arrupe Jesuit Community  
Casa Romero Renewal Center  
Gesu Parish  
Ignatian Associates, Milwaukee  
Jesuit Community, Oshkosh

Jesuit Journeys Editorial Board  
Jesuit Retreat House  
Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Milwaukee  
Marquette University Campus Ministry  
Marquette University Common Ground  
Marquette University High School  
Marquette University Jesuit Community  
Marquette University JUSTICE  
Nativity Jesuit Middle School  
Orgullo Latino (Marquette High Hispanic Club)  
Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish  
Pere Marquette Jesuit Community  
Sigma Lambda Gamma Sorority, Marquette University  
St. Camillus Jesuit Community  
St. Patrick's Parish Wisconsin Province Social and  
International Ministry Commission