A Special Message to the CSUSB Community:

Today's decision by President Donald Trump to rescind the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program is, I know, extremely troubling. CSU Chancellor Timothy White issued a message this morning stating his disappointment and his decision to join with colleagues from throughout the nation urging Congress to pursue legislation that will restore the heart of the DACA program in a timely matter. I share those same emotions.

Please know that I will continue to do everything in my power to protect and support our DACA students and employees, as well as our DREAMers.

Let me also publicly state that Cal State San Bernardino will continue to provide the same quality educational opportunities afforded all those who attend this university. As the Chancellor stated, CSU enrollment and tuition policies are not based on DACA status, so enrollment, tuition and financial aid will not be impacted. The same holds true for all state funding provided under the California Dream Act.

During these anxious times there are many resources available. The <u>DREAMers Resource and Success</u> <u>Center</u> here on the CSUSB campus (SMSU Room 102B) is open and offering assistance and support. The CSU has also established a web site here to provide updated news and guidance.

Please take heart in knowing that there are millions of people who believe in and support DACA and the nearly 800,000 young people nationwide benefitting from this exceptional program. Leaders from throughout California, including Governor Jerry Brown, Secretary of State Alex Padilla, state senators, state assembly members, mayors and many other key officials, have joined with law enforcement professionals as well as faith and civic leaders from throughout the United States in declaring their support for DREAMers and DACA recipients.

Last November I signed an open letter along with more than 350 college and university presidents pushing for DACA to be continued and expanded. And I will be in contact with legislative leadership in California and Washington D.C. to openly support all efforts to abrogate today's decision. I have held board leadership positions on a number of national education organizations, all united in reversing today's decision. Those groups include the <u>Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU)</u> and the <u>American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU)</u>.

I urge you to draw strength from the knowledge there is an incredibly diverse, talented and caring assemblage of people ready to do all they can to prevent our students from seeing their dreams diminished.

On behalf of our campus community and the extended CSUSB family, I want to share our caring and concerned support for our students and all members of the university community. We value their contributions to CSUSB and our global society.

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