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The Honorable Richard Lugar
United States Senate
306 Hart Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

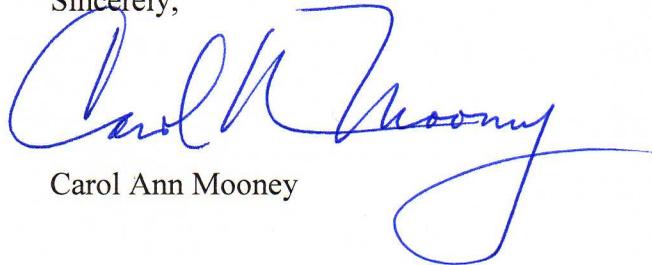
Dear Senator Lugar:

On behalf of the entire Saint Mary's College community, it is my pleasure to provide you with this letter of support for the Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act which you have introduced during several previous Congressional sessions. We support your continued efforts to move this important legislation forward and stand ready to assist you in any way that we can.

Passage of the DREAM Act will provide hardworking individuals, the majority of whom became undocumented aliens while young children, with important incentives and clear guidelines for becoming permanent residents and U.S. citizens. The DREAM Act provides a very fair and humanitarian way to address an important immigration issue and assist young people who have the potential to contribute in a positive way to the growth and future success of our nation.

This issue is one that impacts a number of our current students and negatively influences the decisions of talented and capable high school students who face a great deal of uncertainty with regard to their future because of their undocumented status. Thank you for all that you are doing to resolve this issue in a manner that will not only benefit the undocumented students who qualify for the proposed program, but also will add to the strength and diversity of our nation.

Sincerely,



Carol Ann Mooney