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**Protection of TPS Recipients' Ability to Adjust Status**

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) has for nearly three decades provided a safe harbor for hundreds of thousands of immigrants fleeing nations ravaged by natural disasters, war, and civil strife. The United States Supreme Court recently agreed to review *Sanchez v. Wolf*, a case to determine whether a grant of TPS authorizes an eligible noncitizen to obtain lawful permanent resident status if they were not inspected and admitted when they first entered the United States, meaning that they did not initially lawfully enter the United States.

Noncitizens are sometimes forced to flee their home countries and enter the United States without being inspected and admitted, due to the dangerous conditions they face at home. Thousands of noncitizens have entered the United States without being inspected and admitted, then applied for and received TPS because of disasters in their home countries. This has been the practice for decades because initial entry is not determinative of whether a noncitizen may safely return to their home country.

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TPS recipients have raised families, established businesses, and rebuilt their lives in the United States. TPS recipients' workforce participation rate is over 87%. Over 75,000 TPS recipients live in California—the most of any state. Many of these recipients call Los Angeles County home. Los Angeles County must speak out in support of upholding our nation's values to provide protection for the hard-working immigrants of our community.

**WE, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors authorize County Counsel to file and/or join amicus brief(s) in support of recipients of TPS including, but not limited to the case of *Sanchez v. Wolf*, and in other litigation aimed to protect TPS recipients and their legal rights, as deemed appropriate by County Counsel.

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