WHENEVER, since its inception, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program has opened thousands of doors of opportunity for young people who consider Washington, DC and the United States their home; and

WHENEVER, DACA has helped transform the lives of young immigrants throughout this country, improved our economy and strengthened our communities; and

WHENEVER, the Dream Act affords individuals throughout the nation, an opportunity to become United States citizens; and

WHENEVER, Washington, DC, will continue to support the nearly 800 DREAMers who live in our nation's capital and the 800,000 who live throughout the United States who benefit from the passing of the DREAMers Act:

NOW, THEREFORE I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim December 6, 2017, in Washington, DC, as "DREAMERS DAY."