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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR DE BLASIO ON THE PASSAGE OF THE NEW YORK DREAM  
ACT IN THE STATE ASSEMBLY**

“I commend the Assembly for its passage of the Dream Act, and Speaker Carl Heastie for his leadership in bringing the Dream Act to the floor. With this act, the Assembly reaffirms New York’s commitment to immigration reform. This bold and much-needed bill will give thousands of young immigrant students across our state, who have been waiting for far too long, access to college by offering tuition assistance, which in turn will lead to better job opportunities and higher earnings. New York City is proud to support this effort, and we will work with our partners in Albany on policies that fight income inequality and promote economic opportunities for all. Now is the time for action.”

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