The following resolution will be considered by the Resolutions Committee of the Democratic National Committee on August 22, 2019, in San Francisco, CA.

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***Resolution to Strongly Support Efforts for the Return of Democracy to Venezuela and Assist Venezuelan Migrants with Temporary Protected Status (TPS)***

**WHEREAS**, according to the report of the “United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the situation of Human rights in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela” the Venezuelan regime is oppressive and violates human rights, affecting political freedoms as well as basic needs of Venezuelans; and

**WHEREAS**, the Venezuelan crisis has a humanitarian magnitude that has forced 4 millions of migrants out of the country, many of whom who have come to the United States;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Democratic National Committee supports:

1. The work and legislative initiatives of the Democratic leadership in Congress, led by Senators Dick Durbin, Bob Menéndez, Ben Cardin, Chris Van Hollen and Tim Kaine, as well as House members Donna Shalala, Debbie Mucarsel-Powell, Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Darren Soto and Eliot Engel, to pressure the Maduro regime and work closely with our partners in the hemisphere to facilitate a transition to democracy through free and fair elections monitored by the international community; and

2. The cooperation and aid to assist in alleviating the humanitarian crisis existing in both Venezuela and neighboring countries impacted by massive migration; and

3. The efforts of the Democratic congressional leadership, led by Senator Bob Menéndez and Representative Darren Soto, to designate Venezuela for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) to therefore protect Venezuelan nationals who migrated to the U.S. given the humanitarian crisis; and therefore firmly condemn the evasive and cruel attitude of the Trump administration and the Republican caucus in Congress, denying TPS for Venezuelans while the oppressive regime and the humanitarian crisis continue without satisfactory resolution in Venezuela; and

4. The work of the Democratic leadership in the Florida House and Senate to support the Venezuelan migrant community and stop their detention and deportations throughout the state, as well as from other states where large groups of Venezuelan migrants are living.