



**Support Alliance of
US Immigrants**

All of Us Statement in Support of the RELIEF Act

All of Us is a national grassroots organization made up of primarily graduate students and skilled workers on temporary visas from dozens of countries, who believe America should remain open to merit-based immigrants from all nations. We strongly endorse Senator Durbin's RELIEF Act.

Our members were born in Armenia, Australia, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Brazil, Belarus, Canada, China, Columbia, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Ethiopia, Philippines, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Iran, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Lebanon, Libya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Palestine and Pakistan – as well as the United States. We are medical and scientific researchers working on cures for diseases like cancer and Parkinson's, on technologies to respond to climate change threats, to create more efficient and profitable businesses: we save lives and create jobs.

Founded this year, All of Us already has more than 4,000 members and chapters in all 50 states. We call on every Senator to support the RELIEF Act – particularly those who claim their support for ending the per country caps is a matter of principle, and not simply a way to sole source employment-based green cards to IT workers.

Senator Durbin gets it: the backlog for employment-based green cards was created by H-1B abuse – a single industry hiring permanent immigrants on temporary visas. The backlogs are a not enough problem – so the answer is more.

All of Us understands the mostly Indian H-1B visa holders on the backlog have a legitimate grievance: they should never have been hired as indentured laborers in the first place. But it doesn't help victims to make more people suffer – that is why the RELIEF Act is the way to go. Delivering what Congress promised to the backlogged without cutting off immigrant visas to other fields and skills from all over the world is the right answer.