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Senator Mitch McConnell
317 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator McConnell:

Attached is a copy of a resolution approved by the membership of the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) at its 2017 annual meeting in Montreal, Canada. The SSSP is one of the oldest and most respected social science organizations in the United States, with members from Canada and other parts of the world.

While we recognize and respect the power vested in the Office of the President of The United States on immigration matters, we trust and hope that any immigration Executive Order issued, or immigration legislation passed by Congress, will not target any group unfairly for exclusion; deny individuals' human, civil, and legal rights, intentionally or unintentionally; or subvert or in any way diminish our fundamental values and beliefs as a nation that welcomes people fleeing persecution or searching for a better way of life. Not only do we believe that we can do all of this and remain safe, but we truly believe that we will be safer if we do.

We trust that you will receive this resolution in the constructive manner in which it is offered, and welcome a dialog, if you wish to enter into one with us, on these issues.

Sincerely,

Héctor L. Delgado, Ph.D.
Executive Officer

Enclosure