

### **Support for the NO BAN Act:**

**From the ACLU:** “This president has continually claimed broad executive powers to target Muslims and other marginalized communities he deems unworthy. After a historic failure by the Supreme Court to curtail these discriminatory actions, our elected representatives are finally taking action, providing immediate relief to those impacted by President Trump’s bans and working to ensure the INA can never again be exploited for discriminatory intent. While no Congressional action can erase the pain inflicted on Muslim communities by the Muslim ban, Congress can put in place standards and checks and balances to prevent other communities from enduring that same pain in the future. Today, Muslims, refugees, and asylum-seekers rise together against these bans—and all future bans. We look forward to seeing Members step up and do the same.” – *Manar Waheed, Senior Legislative and Advocacy Counsel*

**From Church World Service:** “We are grateful to Senator Coons and Representative Chu for introducing the NO BAN Act. This legislation would bring much needed relief to individuals from Muslim majority countries, as well as refugees and asylum seekers who have been targeted and banned by President Trump’s various executive orders. The bill would also prevent future administrations from unilaterally discriminating against people based on their religion or banning groups of people in the future. We urge the Senate and House of Representatives to pass this bill and to do everything in their power to reunite the families that have been separated for years as a result of these bans.” – *Rev. John L. McCullough, President and CEO*

**From the National Immigration Law Center:** “All of us should be able to live free from fear that we will be separated from our loved ones solely because of where we were born or how we pray. The Trump administration put an irreparable moral stain on this nation’s conscience when it implemented the Muslim ban, and countless families have been hurt by this policy. Sen. Coons, Rep. Chu and others today have rightly announced a proposal that would get rid of the Muslim ban, as well as the refugee and asylum bans, and make it much more difficult for future administration to enact similar discriminatory policies.” – *Marielena Hincapié, Executive Director*

**From Airbnb:** “Airbnb believes that to restrict travel based on a person’s nationality or religion is wrong and we are proud to endorse the NO BAN Act. Travel is a transformative and powerful experience, and we thank Senator Coons and Congresswoman Chu for supporting policies that open doors and build bridges between cultures around the world.” – *Chris Lehane, Vice President of Global Policy and Communications*

**From Shoba Sivaprasad Wadhia, Samuel Weiss Faculty Scholar and Clinical Professor of Law at Penn State University:** “The NO BAN Act provides a sensible solution to the human tragedy that has unfolded because of the Muslim ban. In full operation since December 2017, the ban continues to separate parents, spouses, students, and scholars who qualify for a green card or visa for no other reason than place of birth. The NO BAN Act sets important limits on the presidential power to block immigration based on religion and country of birth. These changes are consistent with the statute as a whole and the intent Congress had in 1965 when it

struck down national origin quotas for good. Importantly, 56 law professors familiar with the history and structure of the immigration statute [expressed its support](#) for the NO BAN Act.”

**From Amnesty International:** “We face a global crisis with people displaced in every region of the world - from those who fled their homes today, to those born a refugee. We need real solutions that actually meet this crisis head on and treat refugees like the human beings they are, with human rights. The GRACE Act is a vital step towards restoring the United States’ commitment to the vital, and far underutilized, protection of resettlement to those who need it most.” – *Ryan Mace, Refugee Specialist*

**From the Interfaith Alliance:** “The NO BAN Act is a critical piece of legislation beginning the long work of restoring true religious freedom and repairing America’s proud legacy as a nation of immigrants and safe bastion for refugees escaping persecution and strife. Banning any one faith tradition, as Trump has done, flies in the face of our founding principle of religious freedom. As an organization representing more than 75 faith communities, we know well that bigotry toward any tradition is an affront to all of us. We stand in solidarity with the Muslim community and in support of this critical piece of legislation.” – *Rabbi Jack Moline, President*

**From Postmates:** “As a platform that connects people from all walks of life to the tastes, scents, and goods that power our communities, the Muslim Ban goes against America’s core values and risks undermining neighborhood prosperity. That is why it is crucial for Congress to step in and right this wrong. And that is why our colleagues in any tech sector that taps into the vibrancy of communities around them to grow their marketplaces, must also stand on the right side of history. Thanks to the leadership of Sen. Coons (D-DE) and Rep. Chu (D-CA), this legislation would restore our country’s commitment to our highest ideals and protect a vital source of economic dynamism by dismantling and degrading policies of hate.” – *Vikrum Aiyer, Vice President of Global Public Policy & Strategy Communications*

**From the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights:** “President Trump’s Muslim travel ban is hateful, discriminatory, and xenophobic. Our elected officials cannot merely spectate while Islamophobia and racism increase across the nation. Members of Congress must pass this corrective measure to prevent any president from targeting groups in the future with discriminatory policies.” – *Vanita Gupta, President and CEO*

**From the International Refugee Assistance Project (IRAP):** “The NO BAN Act would restore protection to refugees, asylum-seekers, and travelers from Muslim-majority countries who are seeking safety in the United States. IRAP is proud to stand with a broad coalition to support this bill.” – *Betsy Fisher, Policy Director*