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It is clear that more of the same will not work.

There are an estimated 11 million undocumented persons living and working in the United States

Nearly 2,000 migrants have died trying to cross our border from the south from 1998 through 20

America needs comprehensive immigration reform that will make immigration safe, orderly and le

* an opportunity for people already living and working here to earn permanent legal status;

* a new temporary worker program with adequate labor protections, so that essential workers ca

* backlog reductions in family-based immigration so that families can unite in a timely way.

Proposals that fail to embrace these components and seek only to increase enforcement of the c

Congress may enact harsh enforcement measures, such as the Sensenbrenner bill passed in the Ho

Or Congress can engage the debate and enact realistic and comprehensive reform, which will ens

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