



To: Interested Parties
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Re: Sen. Thom Tillis has served North Carolina's Latino community well
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The LIBRE Initiative Action today announces its endorsement of Senator Thom Tillis in his bid for re-election to U.S. Senate. LIBRE Action is dedicated to supporting candidates based on their active leadership roles on top policy priorities for improving the lives of all Americans. Below you will see the case for endorsing Sen. Thom Tillis.

Over the past six years, Senator Thom Tillis has built a record of working with anyone to bridge partisan differences and help North Carolinians from Manteo to Murphy rise — including the Tar Heel State's [growing](#) Latino population.

At The Libre Initiative Action, we are committed to electing policy champions who work to empower the Latino community with greater opportunity, freedom, and choice. We've seen much hope in Sen. Tillis's actions and leadership, and that's why we are endorsing his re-election.

Now more than ever, North Carolina's Hispanic community knows the importance of lawmakers who are willing to move beyond party politics to find solutions to the greatest challenges we face.

Many are concerned with the current economic climate and providing for their families, ensuring they're able to access quality, affordable health care when they need it most, and seeing common-sense immigration reforms enacted instead of more posturing.

On health care, Sen. Tillis has been ahead of the curve, [cosponsoring legislation](#) to expand telemedicine well before it became a trend in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

We have seen the power of the internet during challenging times as millions of Americans have been able to order food, connect with loved ones, and work from home. Sen. Tillis saw the value in using the internet to help patients connect with their doctors because he knows that health care needs are not always scheduled.

Another major challenge families face is how to ensure financial security and provide for loved ones.

In Washington, Sen. Tillis [supported](#) the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 that provided important tax relief for most Americans while simplifying the tax code by eliminating loopholes and carveouts for the well-connected. In practical terms, the legislation meant a bigger paycheck for most North Carolinians because the federal government was withholding less of their hard-earned money.

Even a small increase in take home pay can go a long way for many families — including those who have recently started a life here and have big dreams of owning a house or opening a business.

Finally, Sen. Tillis has shown incredible leadership and a penchant for bridging partisan divides by working hard to improve our country's immigration system. He knows that the status quo is not serving America well.

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For years, politicians from both sides of the aisle have talked about the need to make significant changes to a system that hasn't been reformed in over three decades. Unfortunately, partisan politics and divisive rhetoric have stood in the way.

Sen. Tillis has [supported legislation](#) that enhances border security and allows immigrants who are contributing positively to stay and plan for their futures in the only country they have ever known.

That includes Dreamers, immigrants who were brought here at an early age and are serving in the military, enrolled in school, and paying taxes. North Carolinians eligible for protection under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program contribute more than [\\$117 million](#) in taxes annually.

We should want folks like this living in the Tar Heel State.

Now more than ever, we need lawmakers who are motivated to work on a nonpartisan basis to find solutions to big problems. We are eager to support pro-growth policies, lessen the tax and regulatory burden on individuals and small businesses, and improve the quality of education for our children.

Sen. Thom Tillis has been that kind of senator. Let's support his reelection.