



NATIONAL IMMIGRANT INTEGRATION CONFERENCE 2018

NEW AMERICAN DREAMS

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Senator Elizabeth Warren,
Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal,
Congressman Luis Gutierrez and
Newly Elected Leaders Among
Featured Speakers During NIIC 2018

Other Featured Speakers include NYS Assemblymember-Elect Catalina Cruz, Virginia state Delegates Kathy Tran and Elizabeth Guzman, Helena, Mont. Mayor Wilmot Collins, Philadelphia Councilwoman Helen Gym and Linda Sarsour of the Women's March

WASHINGTON - A week after much of America reaffirmed its belief in the core values of diversity and inclusivity, the National Partnership for New Americans (NPNA) is proud to announce the participation in this year's National Immigrant Integration Conference (NIIC) of some of the immigrant and refugee community's biggest champions.

Senator Elizabeth Warren and Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal, both of whom won re-election last week, along with Congressman Luis Gutierrez, and Linda Sarsour, Board Member of the Women's March, and newly elected young leaders including NY State Assemblymember-Elect Catalina Cruz, the first DREAMer to be elected to that body, will be featured speakers at the [National Immigrant Integration Conference \(NIIC\)](#) in Arlington, Va., Dec. 9-11. The event, organized by the [National Partnership for New Americans \(NPNA\)](#), now in its 11th year is the largest of its kind in the United States.

Rep. Jayapal was one of the first elected officials to speak out against the Muslim ban and, last June, it was her leadership, among that of other elected officials, which brought the recently implemented, inhumane separation of families policy at the southern border to the attention of the world. Jayapal was also arrested in June for protesting against the Trump administration's "zero-tolerance" approach to illegal immigration.

Along with her long record of defending working people, Sen. Warren has also been a staunch opponent of President Trump's border separation policy and has visited children at the U.S.-Mexican border who were separated from their parents.

Rep. Gutierrez has been a defender of immigrant rights during his 25 tenure in Congress and was a pivotal figure in the fight to implement Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. After deciding against running for another term, Gutierrez will be finishing his distinguished career in Congress this year.

Featured speakers at NIIC also include Del. Kathy Tran, the first Asian to be elected to the Virginia House of Delegates, Del. Elizabeth Guzman, the first Latina to hold the job, and noted activist Linda Sarsour, a Board Member of the Women's March and Co-Founder of MPowerChange.

Other prominent speakers include:

Mayor Wilmot Collins (Helena, MT)
Councilwoman Helen Gym (Philadelphia)
Ana Maria Archila, Center for Popular Democracy
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