

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1209

For the relief of Rene Alexander Garcia Maldonado.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 22, 2021

Ms. BUSH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee  
on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

For the relief of Rene Alexander Garcia Maldonado.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS FOR RENE**  
4       **ALEXANDER GARCIA MALDONADO.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a)  
6       and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality  
7       Act, Rene Alexander Garcia Maldonado shall be eligible  
8       for issuance of an immigrant visa or for adjustment of  
9       status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent  
10      residence upon filing an application for issuance of an im-  
11      migrant visa under section 204 of such Act or for adjust-  
12      ment of status to lawful permanent resident.

1 (b) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—If Rene Alexander  
2 Garcia Maldonado enters the United States before the fil-  
3 ing deadline specified in subsection (d), he shall be consid-  
4 ered to have entered and remained lawfully and shall, if  
5 otherwise eligible, be eligible for adjustment of status  
6 under section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act  
7 as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

8 (c) WAIVER OF GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL OR DENIAL  
9 OF ADMISSION.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections  
11 212(a) and 237(a) of the Immigration and Nation-  
12 ality Act, Rene Alexander Garcia Maldonado may  
13 not be removed from the United States, denied ad-  
14 mission to the United States, or considered ineligible  
15 for lawful permanent residence in the United States  
16 by reason of any ground for removal or denial of ad-  
17 mission that is reflected in the records of the De-  
18 partment of Homeland Security or the Visa Office of  
19 the Department of State on the date of the enact-  
20 ment of this Act.

21 (2) RECESSION OF OUTSTANDING ORDER OF  
22 REMOVAL.—The Secretary of Homeland Security  
23 shall rescind any outstanding order of removal or de-  
24 portation, or any finding of inadmissibility or de-  
25 portability, that has been entered against Rene Alex-

1       ander Garcia Maldonado by reason of any ground  
2       described in paragraph (1).

3       (d) DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT OF  
4 FEES.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall apply only if the ap-  
5 plication for issuance of an immigrant visa or the applica-  
6 tion for adjustment of status is filed with appropriate fees  
7 within 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

8       (e) REDUCTION OF IMMIGRANT VISA NUMBER.—  
9 Upon the granting of an immigrant visa or permanent res-  
10 idence to Rene Alexander Garcia Maldonado, the Sec-  
11 retary of State shall instruct the proper officer to reduce  
12 by 1, during the current or next following fiscal year, the  
13 total number of immigrant visas that are made available  
14 to natives of the country of the alien's birth under section  
15 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act or, if appli-  
16 cable, the total number of immigrant visas that are made  
17 available to natives of the country of the alien's birth  
18 under section 202(e) of such Act.

19       (f) DENIAL OF PREFERENTIAL IMMIGRATION TREAT-  
20 MENT FOR CERTAIN RELATIVES.—The natural parents,  
21 brothers, and sisters of Rene Alexander Garcia Maldonado  
22 shall not, by virtue of such relationship, be accorded any  
23 right, privilege, or status under the Immigration and Na-  
24 tionality Act.

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