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H. R. 6295

For the relief of Maria Merida de Macario and Firelly Airlen Rios Cano.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 14, 2021

Mr. MOULTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

For the relief of Maria Merida de Macario and Firelly Airlen
Rios Cano.

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 MARIA**
4 **MERIDA DE MACARIO AND FIRELLY AIRLEN**
5 **RIOS CANO.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a)
7 and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality
8 Act, Maria Merida de Macario and Firelly Airlen Rios
9 Cano shall each be eligible for issuance of an immigrant
10 visa or for adjustment of status to that of an alien lawfully
11 admitted for permanent residence upon filing an applica-

1 tion for issuance of an immigrant visa under section 204
2 of such Act or for adjustment of status to lawful perma-
3 nent resident.

4 (b) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—If Maria Merida de
5 Macario and Firelly Airlen Rios Cano enters the United
6 States before the filing deadline specified in subsection (c),
7 each such named individual shall be considered to have
8 entered and remained lawfully and shall, if otherwise eligi-
9 ble, be eligible for adjustment of status under section 245
10 of the Immigration and Nationality Act as of the date of
11 the enactment of this Act.

12 (c) WAIVER OF GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL OR DENIAL
13 OF ADMISSION.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections
15 212(a) and 237(a) of the Immigration and Nation-
16 ality Act, Maria Merida de Macario and Firelly
17 Airlen Rios Cano may not be removed from the
18 United States, denied admission to the United
19 States, or considered ineligible for lawful permanent
20 residence in the United States by reason of any
21 ground for removal or denial of admission that is re-
22 flected in the records of the Department of Home-
23 land Security or the Visa Office of the Department
24 of State on the date of the enactment of this Act.

1 (2) RECESSION OF OUTSTANDING ORDER OF
2 REMOVAL.—The Secretary of Homeland Security
3 shall rescind any outstanding order of removal or de-
4 portation, or any finding of inadmissibility or de-
5 portability, that has been entered against Maria
6 Merida de Macario and Firelly Airlen Rios Cano by
7 reason of any ground described in paragraph (1).

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

13 (e) REDUCTION OF IMMIGRANT VISA NUMBER.—
14 Upon the granting of an immigrant visa or permanent res-
15 idence to each of Maria Merida de Macario and Firelly
16 Airlen Rios Cano, the Secretary of State shall instruct the
17 proper officer to reduce by 1, during the current or next
18 following fiscal year, the total number of immigrant visas
19 that are made available to natives of the country of the
20 alien’s birth under section 203(a) of the Immigration and
21 Nationality Act or, if applicable, the total number of immi-
22 grant visas that are made available to natives of the coun-
23 try of the alien’s birth under section 202(e) of such Act.

24 (f) DENIAL OF PREFERENTIAL IMMIGRATION TREAT-
25 MENT FOR CERTAIN RELATIVES.—The natural parents,

1 brothers, and sisters of Maria Merida de Macario and
2 Firelly Airlen Rios Cano shall not, by virtue of such rela-
3 tionship, be accorded any right, privilege, or status under
4 the Immigration and Nationality Act.

