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**The American Immigration Law Foundation Becomes
American Immigration Council**
Name Change Reflects Broader Role in Immigration Arena

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Washington D.C. - Today the American Immigration Law Foundation announced a name change to accompany a more ambitious mission for the organization. The new name, **American Immigration Council**, reflects the expansion of the organization to assume a larger role and greater involvement in the immigration policy, education, and exchange communities. It is also recognition that the organization has grown both in size and stature over the last five years as our program work has expanded beyond the courtroom and into the halls of Congress and the public square. The **American Immigration Council** will continue to serve existing constituencies, but will expand its reach to new partners and programs.

"Our new name and identity more clearly reflects our growing mission to serve an expanding field of immigration advocates," said Benjamin Johnson, Executive Director. "The American Immigration Council is structured to provide more room at the table for diverse parties interested in immigration. The Council will form an umbrella under which we will build additional partnerships while continuing the success of our existing programs."

The American Immigration Council is also introducing a new brand identity and website, AmericanImmigrationCouncil.org, which unifies its four key programs: [Immigration Policy Center](#), [Legal Action Center](#), [International Exchange Center](#), and [Community Education Center](#).

This change represents another step forward in the evolution of the organization, founded almost 25 years ago. The **American Immigration Council**, which has positioned itself as one of the foremost experts in immigration law, policy, education, and exchange programs, will continue its mission of *honoring our immigrant past and shaping our immigrant future*.

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