Haitians in U.S. Protest Trump Plans to End Protected Status



Washington, November 23 (RHC)-- In the United States, Haitian immigrants and their supporters are protesting the Donald Trump administration's move to end temporary protected status, or TPS, for nearly 60,000 Haitians, including many who came to the United States after the devastating 2010 earthquake in Haiti.

The decision will end a program that allows some Haitians to live and work in the U.S., and could see them face deportation by July of 2019. In Palm Beach, Florida, hundreds of protesters gathered near President Trump's Mar-a-Lago Golf Club, where the U.S. president is spending his Thanksgiving vacation.

And in New York City, Haitian-Americans and elected officials gathered outside a U.S. Immigration office. New York State Assembly-member Yuh-Line Niou told reporters: "I just think it's really inhumane and unconscionable for the president of the United States to do this, to folks who have side by side helped us to make our country better, make our country stronger. I just hope that he will show more compassion and I hope that our Congress will show thoughtfulness and humanity when it comes to issues like this one."

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