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Month Day, Year

The Honorable [First Name_ Middle Initial _ Last Name]
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President [Last Name]

As a network of parents, teachers, and educational organizations representing thousands of supporters, we write to urge you to reinstate the national reading program. In the years since the program was canceled, we have witnessed a dramatic decrease in English proficiency and overall literacy rates.

Because literacy is so important for the future of our children and our country, we ask that you restart the program by working with Congress to find available funding. We also ask that you remove all obstacles to participation in the program such as the previous requirement that children buy their own books and increase the federal minimum wage for educators who facilitate the program.

Literacy is one of the most important components for a child's development, future, and prospect for success. As noted in a study from State University, the national reading program improved literacy rates by 10%, graduation rates by 23%, and future employability by 50%. These striking gains cannot be lost. Former Secretary of Education, Jane Doe, stated: "the national reading program is one of the easiest, low-cost, no-risk tools we have to secure a better future for our children and country."

We hope you will do the right thing and reinstate the national reading program to improve literacy rates, increase graduation, and make the next generation more employable. We thank you for your service to our country and your consideration on the matter. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Organization A
Organization B
Organization C

Individual A
Individual B
Individual C

CC: Secretary [First Name _ Last Name]
United States Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor Chairperson [First Name _ Last Name]
United States Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor Ranking Member [First Name _ Last Name]
House Committee on Education and Labor Chairperson [First Name _ Last Name]
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