

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

March 13, 2025

The Honorable Linda McMahon
Secretary of Education
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Ave, SW
Washington, DC 20003

RE: Urgent Meeting Request to Discuss the Drastic Reduction of the Department of Education Workforce

Dear Secretary McMahon,

As Members of Congress, we are requesting an urgent meeting as soon as possible with you regarding the Trump Administration's gutting of the Department of Education's (the Department) workforce. As Members vested with oversight power, we demand an immediate discussion of why over 1,300 staff were terminated, how the essential services the Department oversees will be delivered with such a drastically reduced staff, and the projected impact of those changes on Americans across the country.

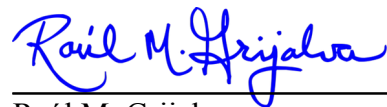
As many of the offices which have been stripped of their workforce were established by Congress, Congress has a role in the discussion of such drastic reductions of force and how it will affect the functions of the Department and, by extension, impact the millions of students, parents, families, educators, support staff and school districts in every Congressional district. Any changes involving the closure of the Department or its functions must not be done without the consultation of Congress and the Congressional committees tasked with the Department's oversight.

We request a response within **48 hours to this urgent inquiry**. Please reach my office through my staffer Mieko Kuramoto (mieko.kuramoto@mail.house.gov).

Sincerely,



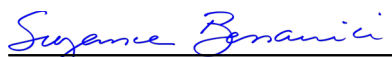
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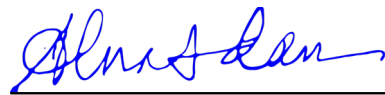
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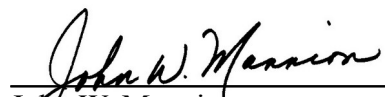
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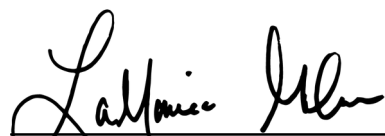
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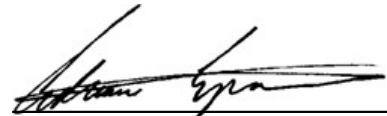
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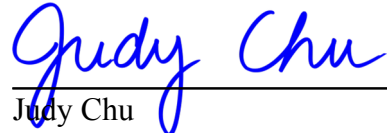
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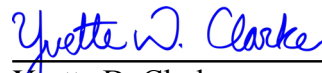
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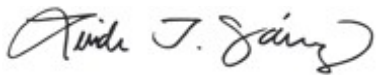
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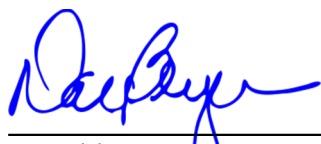
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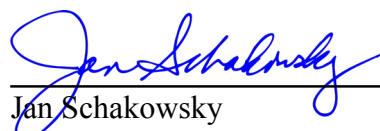
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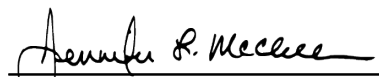
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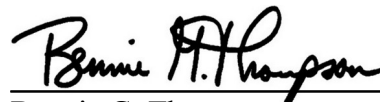
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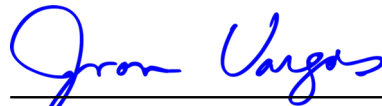
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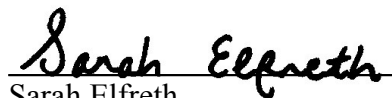
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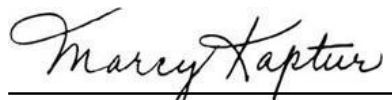
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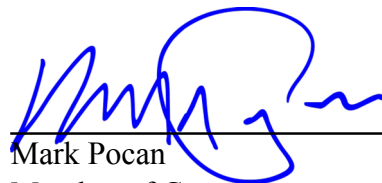
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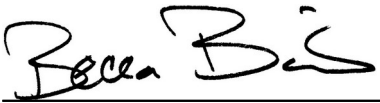

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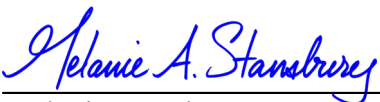

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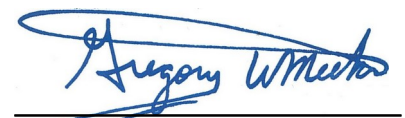

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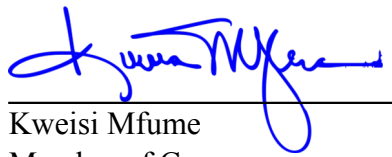

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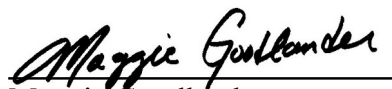
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