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The Honorable Margaret Spellings  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20202

Dear Secretary Spellings:

As the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) is set to expire this year, I would like to share with you several recommendations that I have provided to House Committee on Education and Labor Chairman Miller and Ranking Member McKeon as the reauthorization process continues. These recommendations are based on input I received from parents, teachers, and administrators from the meetings and forums I held on this issue in my district last year. I have attached a copy of the letter for your perusal.

In general, I support the underlying principles of NCLB. However, as the attached letter indicates, there are areas of the current law that merit review. I look forward to working with my colleagues in Congress, you, and the President to develop NCLB reauthorization legislation that seeks to rectify problematic provisions and deficiencies in the current law while maintaining accountability to ensure that our children have access to a world-class education.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like additional information. Thank you for your attention on this important matter to me and my constituents.

Sincerely,

KEVIN McCARTHY  
Member of Congress

Enclosure