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Dear Senator Harp and Representative Walker,

In consideration of the governor's budget proposal I would like to draw your attention to the value and benefits of the Family School Connection Program which is funded by The Children's Trust Fund. In these times, many families are struggling with family challenges such as unemployment, poverty, homelessness and lack of supportive resources. It is a parent's responsibility to provide the best they can for their children. However, when push comes to shove, food and shelter become a priority and the importance of education may take a back seat. Research proves that children whose parents are involved in their education are more successful. The Family School Connection Program provides support for families, enabling them to address their stressors, focus on the importance of education and involved in their child's education. Please support the funding of the Family School Connection Program so that all children have an opportunity to be successful and prosper in school.

Sincerely,
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