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To Whom It May Concern:

We are pleased to announce that the Learning Disabilities Association of America is partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to support the 2010 Census and the effort to achieve a complete and accurate count of our nation's growing population. Our organization strives daily to improve the lives and welfare of people in our community, many of whom are experiencing hardships related to economic status, language fluency, disabilities or more. Our support of the 2010 Census is another example of our commitment to help improve the quality of life in our community.

Every year, the federal government distributes more than \$400 billion to state, local and tribal governments based on census data. In addition to determining political representation, the 2010 Census will help leaders:

- identify where to build new roads, schools, hospitals and more.
- indicate where funding is needed to enhance important community initiatives and programs.
- provide more efficient local emergency services thanks to better maps and information.

In addition, accurate census data aid our organization with grant writing, and help us to target our services and ensure maximum benefit to those we serve.

In 2010, every person living in the United States must be counted. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, citizens and noncitizens. As a 2010 Census partner, our goal is to relay the ease, importance and safety of census participation to our community, and we encourage you to do the same. Census forms will be delivered or mailed to households in March 2010; households should complete and mail back their forms upon receipt. One of the shortest census forms in history, the 2010 Census form asks 10 questions and takes about 10 minutes to complete.

We will keep you informed with the latest information about the 2010 Census in the upcoming months. In the meantime, you can visit <http://www.2010census.gov> to learn more. Also, please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions about our partnership with the Census Bureau and what it means for our organization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Connie Parr'.

Connie Parr
President
Learning Disabilities Association of America

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