May 4, 2007

The Honorable Robert C. Byrd Chairman, Committee on Appropriations United States Senate 311 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

## Dear Chairman Byrd:

The undersigned education, training, disability, public health, medical research, child welfare organizations and labor unions representing the full range of stakeholders in the programs of the Departments of Education, Health and Human Services and Labor, urge you to ensure that the final FY 2008 302b allocation for the House and Senate Labor, Health and Human Services, Education Appropriations Subcommittees reflects at least a \$14 billion increase above the FY 2007 level for these critically important programs. This amount would restore these programs to the FY 2005 level, a high water mark for many, and appropriately account for three years of inflation and population growth to maintain service levels and purchasing power.

The programs and services administered by the Departments of Health and Human Services, Education, and Labor serve a broad range of constituencies and needs. However, they all share a common, fundamental goal of strengthening this nation by investing in and improving the quality of life of its people, especially the most vulnerable. Unfortunately, the FY 2006 Labor, HHS and Education appropriations bill was cut by \$1.6 billion. Congress worked to restore some of those cuts in the FY 2007 Joint Resolution but many programs still remain far below their FY 2005 level, and others lost all funding. The President's FY 2008 budget request continues or deepens cuts for most of the programs in the Labor, HHS, and Education Appropriations bill. America cannot sustain its global scientific and economic leadership, national security and citizens' health and well-being without increasing these investments.

While our organizations represent a wide array of domestic priorities, we are united in our effort to increase discretionary funding for health, education, labor enforcement, job training and social services programs by at least \$14 billion as the budget process moves forward. This is essential to sustain the well-being and prosperity of our nation.

To respond to this letter, please contact Dr. Marcia Mabee, Executive Director, Coalition for Health Funding: 703-709-3001, or Dr. Edward Kealy, Executive Director, Committee for Education Funding: 202-383-0083.

Respectfully,

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American Association for Cancer Research

American Association for Dental Research

American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry

American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy

American Association for Respiratory Care

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American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases

American Association for the Surgery of Trauma

American Association for Thoracic Surgery

American Association of Anatomists

American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists

American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education

American Association of Colleges of Nursing

American Association of colleges of Osteopathic Medicine

American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy

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American Association of Community Colleges

American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging

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American Association of Public Health Dentistry

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American College Health Association

American College Nurse Practitioners

American College of Clinical Pharmacy

American College of Medical Genetics

American College of Neuropsychopharmacology

American College of Physicians

American College of Preventive Medicine

American College of Rheumatology

American College of Sports Medicine

American College of Surgeons

American Council on Education

American Counseling Association

American Dance Therapy Association

American Dental Association

American Dental Education Association

American Diabetes Association

American Education Research Association

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American Pediatric Society

American Pediatric Surgical Association

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American Psychological Association

American Public Health Association

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American School Health Association

American Social Health Association

American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

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American Society for Clinical Pathology

American Society for Microbiology

American Society for Nutrition

American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics

American Society for Reproductive Medicine

American Society for Virology

American Society of Clinical Oncology

American Society of Hematology

American Society of Human Genetics

American Society of Nephrology

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American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

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Association for Psychological Science

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Association of Academic Health Centers

Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries

Association of Air Medical Services

Association of American Cancer Institutes

Association of American Medical Colleges

Association of American Physicians

Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges

Association of Anatomy, Cell Biology and Neurobiology Chairpersons

Association of Assistive Technology Act Programs

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Association of Black Cardiologists

Association of Chiropractic Colleges

Association of Community College Trustees

Association of Departments of Family Medicine

Association of Educational Publishers

Association of Educational Service Agencies,

Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors

Association of Independent Research Institutes

Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities

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Association of Medical School Microbiology and Immunology Chairs

Association of Medical School Pediatric Department Chairs

Association of Medical School Pharmacology Chairs

Association of Minority Health Professions Schools

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Association of Professors of Human and Medical Genetics

Association of Professors of Medicine

Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine

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Association of School Business Officials International

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Association of Schools of Public Health

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CADCA (Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America)

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California Institute of Technology

California State Rural Health Association

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Campaign for Medical Research

Campaign for Public Health

Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation d.b.a. Hope Street Kids

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Children's Neurobiological Solutions Foundation

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Coalition for American Trauma Care

Coalition for Health Funding

Coalition for Health Services Research

Coalition for the Advancement of Health Through Behavioral and Social Sciences Research

Coalition of National Health Education Organizations

Coalition to Protect Research

Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory

Coleman Institute for Cognitive Disabilities, University of Colorado System

Colfax Marathon Partnership, Inc.

College Board

Colorado Bioscience Association

Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade

Columbia University

Columbia University College of Dental Medicine

Columbia University TeenScreen Program

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Conference of Boston Teaching Hospitals

Congress of Neurological Surgeons

Connecticut Federation of School Administrators

Connecticut United for Research Excellence, Inc.

Conquer Fragile X Foundation

Consortium of Social Science Associations

**Consumers Union** 

Cooley's Anemia Foundation

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Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists

Council of the Great City Schools

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Families USA Global Health Initiative

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Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology

Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health

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Fitzsimons Redevelopment Authority

Fletcher Allen Health Care

Ford Finance, Inc.

Forest Laboratories, Inc.

Foundation Fighting Blindness

Foundation for Children with Atypical HUS

Fox Chase Cancer Center

Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

Friends of Cancer Research

Friends of the National Institute for Dental and Craniofacial Research

Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research

Friends of the National Library of Medicine

Gateway Foundation, Chicago, Illinois

Gay Men's Health Crisis

Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network

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GE Healthcare

Genetic Alliance

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Georgetown University Medical Center

GlaxoSmithKline

Gold Cross/Mayo Clinic Medical Transport

Goodwill Industries International, Inc.

Gynecologic Cancer Foundation

Harvard Medical School

Harvard School of Public Health

Harvard University School of Dental Medicine

Hazelden Foundation

Heart Rhythm Society

Hepatitis B Foundation

Hepatitis Foundation International

Hereditary Disease Foundation

HHT Foundation International, Inc.

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**HIV Medicine Association** 

HIV/AIDS Mobilization Project

Home Safety Council

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Howard University College of Medicine

IBM Life Sciences Division

Illinois State University Mennonite College of Nursing

Illinois Trauma Coordinator Coalition

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Infectious Diseases Society of America

**Institute for Systems Biology** 

Institute for the Advancement of Multicultural and Minority Medicine

Institute for the Advancement of Social Work Research

Intercultural Cancer Council Caucus

International Foundation for Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders

International Myeloma Foundation

**International Reading Association** 

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**Invitrogen Corporation** 

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Jeffrey Modell Foundation

Johnson & Johnson

Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International

Kansas City Community Center

Kentucky Primary Care Association

Kentucky Rural Health Association

Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology

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Knowledge Alliance (formerly NEKIA)

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Lance Armstrong Foundation

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Los Angeles Biomedical Research Institute at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center

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Louisiana State University HSC School of Dentistry

Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute

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Lupus Foundation of America

Lupus Research Institute National Coalition

Lymphatic Research Foundation

Mailman School of Public Health of Columbia University

March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation

Marine Biological Laboratory

Maryland Patient Advocacy Group

Masonic Medical Research Laboratory

Massachusetts General Hospital

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Massachusetts Society for Medical Research, Inc.

Mayo Clinic

McLaughlin Research Institute

Medical College of Georgia

Medical Library Association

Medical University of South Carolina

MedStar Research Institute

Meharry Medical College

Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center

Memory Pharmaceuticals

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Nashville CARES

NASULGC, A Public University Association

National Alliance for Eye and Vision Research

National Alliance for Hispanic Health

National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression

National Alliance on Mental Illness

National Alliance to End Sexual Violence

National Alopecia Areata Foundation

National Area Health Education Centers Organization

National Association for Children's Behavioral Health

National Association for College Admission Counseling

National Association for Gifted Children

National Association of Children's Hospitals

National Association of Chronic Disease Directors

National Association of Community Health Centers

National Association of County and City Health Officials

National Association of County Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability Directors

National Association of Federally Impacted Schools

National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

National Association of Local Boards of Health

National Association of Medical Minority Educators, Inc.

National Association of People with AIDS

National Association of School Psychologists

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National Association of Secondary School Principals

National Association of Social Workers

National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors

National Association of State Directors of Career Technical Education Consortium

National Association of State Directors of Special Education

National Association of State Directors of Special Education

National Association of State EMS Officials

National Association of State Head Injury Administrators

National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors

National Association of State Student Grant and Aid Programs

National Association of State Title I Directors

National Business Coalition on Health

National Caucus of Basic Biomedical Science Chairs

National Coalition for LGBT Health

National Coalition for Literacy

National Coalition for Osteoporosis and Related Bone Diseases

National Conference for Geriatric Nurse Practitioners

National Council for Community and Education Partnerships

National Council for Diversity in Health Professions

National Council of State Trauma System Managers

National Council of Teachers of English

National Council on Alcoholism & Drug Dependence, Inc.

National Council on Economic Education

National Down Syndrome Society

National Eczema Association

National Education Association

National Electrical Manufacturers Association

National Emphysema/COPD Association

National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association

National Forum to Accelerate Middle-Grades Reform

National Foundation for Ectodermal Dysplasias

National Health Council

National Hemophilia Foundation

National Hispanic Health Foundation

National History Day Program, Inc.

National Human Services Assembly

National Jewish Medical and Research Center

National Kidney Foundation

National Marfan Foundation

National Minority AIDS Council

National MS Society

National Multiple Sclerosis Society

National Network for Youth

National Organization for Rare Disorders

National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health

National Osteoporosis Foundation

National Pharmaceutical Council

National Primate Research Centers

National Prostate Cancer Coalition

National Psoriasis Foundation

**National Quality Forum** 

National Recreation and Park Association

National Respite Coalition

National Rural Education Advocacy Coalition

National Rural Education Association

National Rural Health Association

National Rural Recruitment and Retention Network

National School Boards Association

National Sleep Foundation

**National Writing Project** 

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Nemours

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New Jersey Association for Biomedical Research

New York AIDS Coalition

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San Francisco AIDS Foundation

Sanofi-Aventis

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Scleroderma Foundation

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Sexuality Information and Education Council of the U.S.

Sjogren's Syndrome Foundation, Inc.

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Society for Advancement of Violence and Injury Research (SAVIR)

Society for Investigative Dermatology

Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine

Society for Neuroscience

Society for Pediatric Research

Society for Prevention Research

Society for Public Health Education

Society for Research in Child Development

Society for Women's Health Research

Society of General Internal Medicine

Society of Gynecologic Oncologists

Society of Hospital Medicine

Society of Teachers of Family Medicine

South Alabama Medical Science Foundation

South Carolina Trauma Advisory Council

South Dakota State University

Southeast Business Partnership

Southern Illinois University School of Medicine

Southwest Association for Education in Biomedical Research

SPARC, The Scholarly Publishing & Academic Resources Coalition

Spina Bifida Association of America

St. George's University

Stanford University School of Medicine

State Associations of Addiction Services

State University of New York at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine

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Strategic Health Policy International, Inc.

Sudden Cardiac Arrest Association

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Summit Health Institute for Research and Education, Inc.

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Tarzana Treatment Center, Inc

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Texas Society for Biomedical Research

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The Cave Institute

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The Critical Path Institute (C-Path)

The Endocrine Society

The Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Network

The Food Allergy Project, Inc.

The Forsyth Institute

The Foundation Fighting Blindness

The George Washington University Medical Center

The George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services

The Heart Rhythm Society

The J. David Gladstone Institutes

The Jackson Laboratory

The Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health

The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

The Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

The McGraw-Hill Companies

The Methodist Hospital Research Institute

The NAMES Project/AIDS Memorial Quilt

The National HEP CAMP Association

The New Jersey Association for Biomedical Research

The New York Stem Cell Foundation

The Ohio State University College of Dentistry

The Ohio State University College of Medicine

The Ohio State University College of Public Health

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The Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene, Inc.

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The Schepens Eye Research Institute

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University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

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University of California, Davis School of Medicine

University of California, Irvine School of Medicine

University of California, Los Angeles School of Medicine

University of California, Systemwide

University of Chicago

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University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center

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University of Colorado at Denver and HSC School of Nursing

University of Colorado System

University of Connecticut School of Medicine

University of Florida

University of Florida College of Dentistry

University of Georgia

University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry

University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine

University of Illinois at Chicago College of Nursing

University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health

University of Kansas

University of Kansas Medical Center

University of Kansas Medical Center School of Nursing

University of Kentucky

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University of Louisville

University of Louisville School of Dentistry

University of Maryland at Baltimore

University of Maryland at Baltimore School of Nursing

University of Miami

University of Michigan

University of Michigan College of Pharmacy

University of Michigan Medical School

University of Michigan School of Dentistry

University of Michigan School of Nursing

University of Minnesota

University of Minnesota School of Public Health

University of Missouri at Kansas City School of Dentistry

University of Montana School of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences

University of Nebraska Medical Center

University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

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University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Dentistry

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Public Health

University of North Dakota

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University of Rochester School of Nursing

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University of South Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences

University of South Florida

University of South Florida College of Nursing

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University of Vermont

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University of Washington

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University of Washington School of Nursing

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Utah Department of Health

Van Andel Research Institute

Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Vanderbilt University School of Nursing

Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry

Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine

Virginia Rural Health Association

Virginia Rural Health Resource Center

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Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine

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WestCare Foundation
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