

United States Senate

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Susan Leger Ferraro
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Dear Susan:

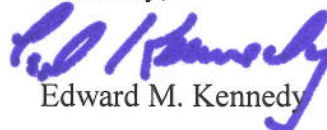
I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for the wonderful work you are doing with the Little Sprouts Child Enrichment Centers in the Merrimack Valley and applaud your effort to expand your good work into the Allston-Brighton community.

I firmly believe that with our nation's youngest children, we must be smarter from the start. Over the years, Little Sprouts Child Enrichment Centers have done extraordinary work enhancing the reading skills of preschool-age children from low-income families in Massachusetts. I thank you for your dedication to serving the needs of children during this critical time of their development.

In addition, your commitment to other areas of the community such as your work with at-risk youth is to be highly commended. You have been able to play a critical role in the life of countless children in Massachusetts over the last twenty-five years and I look forward to all you will accomplish in the years ahead.

With best wishes and great appreciation,

Sincerely,



Edward M. Kennedy

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