



August 13, 2021

The Honorable Jim McGovern
House of Representatives
370 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman McGovern,

We recently attended the quarterly call for NANA in which you restated your ongoing support for hunger initiatives and child nutrition programs. As the 2018 recipient of NCA's Friend of CACFP award, we are grateful for your ongoing commitment to child hunger and your advocacy for CACFP. We wanted to communicate our support for the establishment of a Hunger Czar and the White House Conference on Food, Nutrition, Hunger and Health. We congratulate you on the recent amendment that includes funding for the conference.

As a reminder, NCA serves as the national platform for the CACFP community and represents 90,000+ family child care homes, 64,000+ child care centers and 27,000+ afterschool sites. Our network spans all 50 states and territories and we regularly represent our stakeholders on policy issues so that our youngest and most vulnerable populations are assured a healthy start. We are well positioned to offer assistance and expertise at the White House Conference on Food, Nutrition, Hunger and Health and hope you will include us.

NCA is also currently advocating for a number of priorities as Congress considers Child Nutrition Reauthorization. We have attached our priorities for your reference. We agree that hunger, especially child hunger, is a complex issue and we thank you again for your continued work and advocacy. If we can do anything to assist in your hunger initiatives, please do not hesitate to reach out. Thanks again!

Sincerely,

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