



National Coalition For Literacy

October 14, 2009

The Honorable Jared Polis
Member
U. S. House of Representatives
501 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Polis:

On behalf of the National Coalition for Literacy, a national organization representing 26 national organizations interested in adult and family literacy, I want to thank you for sponsoring H. Res. 707, designating the week of October 18, 2009 as National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week. Your work moving this resolution through the House of Representatives is greatly appreciated by the adult education and family literacy practitioners and the adult learners whom we serve.

Every day, millions of adults participate in adult education programs, striving to improve their lives through programs that will provide them with the basic education and English language skills they need to reach their full potential. Your efforts to honor our programs, the individuals who work with them every day, and these hardworking students is an outstanding tribute.

Our Coalition has already spread the word about Adult Education and Family Literacy Week to programs throughout the United States. Many programs have already alerted us that they have plans to undertake activities to raise awareness of adult education during this week.

We are grateful for your support and all of your work on our behalf. We look forward to working with you in the future to increase access to adult education and family literacy programs and to ensure each and every participant in our programs receives the best possible education.

Finally, we would be remiss if we did not also mention our appreciation for Spiros Protosaltis and his work on this resolution. He has worked closely with the Coalition and we appreciate all of his work on behalf of this legislation.

If there is any manner in which we can be of further assistance to you, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me via phone at 315-422-9121 ext. 355 or email at pwaite@proliteracy.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Peter A. Waite'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial 'P'.

Dr. Peter A. Waite
President
National Coalition for Literacy