Honorable Roger Wicker United States House of Representatives 2455 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Wicker:

It is my pleasure to offer my support to a new project, *Birth to School*, a collaborative partnership formed by the public television networks of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi to share the best practice in early childhood development with parents, caregivers and teachers

Your support is needed for the *Birth to School Five Star Alliance* demonstration project. *Birth to School* grew out of *Right from Birth*, Mississippi Educational Broadcasting's successful 12-part television series that has aired on 127 PBS stations nationally. Mississippi Educational Broadcasting is requesting a \$3,125,000 earmark for the *Birth to School* five state demonstration project in order to take Mississippi's proven *Right from Birth* project and extend it to our neighboring states and to more of Mississippi's children. Please contact the HHS, Labor, Education and Related Agencies Committee and support this request for FY '04. Your support is important to Mississippi's children and will assist Mississippi Educational Broadcasting as it continues to lead the nation in providing relevant programs in early childhood.

Thank you in advance for any assistance that you may be able to provide in securing this funding for *Birth to School*. As always, thank you for your service to Mississippi and to our country.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

Honorable Bennie Thompson United States House of Representatives 2432 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Thompson:

It is my pleasure to offer my support to a new project, *Birth to School*, a collaborative partnership formed by the public television networks of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi to share the best practice in early childhood development with parents, caregivers and teachers

Your support is needed for the *Birth to School Five Star Alliance* demonstration project. *Birth to School* grew out of *Right from Birth*, Mississippi Educational Broadcasting's successful 12-part television series that has aired on 127 PBS stations nationally. Mississippi Educational Broadcasting is requesting a \$3,125,000 earmark for the *Birth to School* five state demonstration project in order to take Mississippi's proven *Right from Birth* project and extend it to our neighboring states and to more of Mississippi's children. Please contact the HHS, Labor, Education and Related Agencies Committee and support this request for FY '04. Your support is important to Mississippi's children and will assist Mississippi Educational Broadcasting as it continues to lead the nation in providing relevant programs in early childhood.

Thank you in advance for any assistance that you may be able to provide in securing this funding for *Birth to School*. As always, thank you for your service to Mississippi and to our country.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

Honorable Gene Taylor United States House of Representatives 2311 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-2405

Dear Congressman Taylor:

It is my pleasure to offer my support to a new project, *Birth to School*, a collaborative partnership formed by the public television networks of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi to share the best practice in early childhood development with parents, caregivers and teachers

Your support is needed for the *Birth to School Five Star Alliance* demonstration project. *Birth to School* grew out of *Right from Birth*, Mississippi Educational Broadcasting's successful 12-part television series that has aired on 127 PBS stations nationally. Mississippi Educational Broadcasting is requesting a \$3,125,000 earmark for the *Birth to School* five state demonstration project in order to take Mississippi's proven *Right from Birth* project and extend it to our neighboring states and to more of Mississippi's children. Please contact the HHS, Labor, Education and Related Agencies Committee and support this request for FY '04. Your support is important to Mississippi's children and will assist Mississippi Educational Broadcasting as it continues to lead the nation in providing relevant programs in early childhood.

Thank you in advance for any assistance that you may be able to provide in securing this funding for *Birth to School*. As always, thank you for your service to Mississippi and to our country.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

Honorable Charles "Chip" Pickering United States House of Representatives 229 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Pickering:

It is my pleasure to offer my support to a new project, *Birth to School*, a collaborative partnership formed by the public television networks of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi to share the best practice in early childhood development with parents, caregivers and teachers

Your support is needed for the *Birth to School Five Star Alliance* demonstration project. *Birth to School* grew out of *Right from Birth*, Mississippi Educational Broadcasting's successful 12-part television series that has aired on 127 PBS stations nationally. Mississippi Educational Broadcasting is requesting a \$3,125,000 earmark for the *Birth to School* five state demonstration project in order to take Mississippi's proven *Right from Birth* project and extend it to our neighboring states and to more of Mississippi's children. Please contact the HHS, Labor, Education and Related Agencies Committee and support this request for FY '04. Your support is important to Mississippi's children and will assist Mississippi Educational Broadcasting as it continues to lead the nation in providing relevant programs in early childhood.

Thank you in advance for any assistance that you may be able to provide in securing this funding for *Birth to School*. As always, thank you for your service to Mississippi and to our country.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE