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THE  
**Steppingstone**  
SCHOLARS PROGRAM

August 1, 2003

The Honorable Chaka Fattah  
U.S House of Representatives  
2301 Rayburn House Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Scholars Program  
Placement Schools  
Abington Friends School  
The Agnes Irwin School  
The Baldwin School  
CFS, The School at Church Farm  
Chestnut Hill Academy  
The Episcopal Academy  
Friends' Central School  
Friends Select School  
Germantown Academy  
Germantown Friends School  
Girard College  
Greene Street Friends School  
The Maverford School  
Holy Child Academy  
Malvern Preparatory School  
Parklawn School  
The Philadelphia School  
The Shipley School  
Springside School  
St. Peter's School  
Westtown School  
William Penn Charter School

Dear Congressman Fattah:

I write to express my gratitude for your introduction of the Bill of Student Rights and to offer the support of the Steppingstone Foundation - Philadelphia.

It is our belief that all children should have access to a first rate academic career regardless of circumstance. While the mission of Steppingstone begins with the notion of offering educational opportunities to families that may not otherwise have the options that we present to them, the final outcome is far greater. Our scholars' success leads them to phenomenal opportunities at some of the finest post secondary institutions in the nation and ultimately the work force. Investing more of the nation's wealth in proven programs that help children is good for the county as well as the global community.

Clearly, the promotion of a bill of rights for students is a significant step towards making certain that we show compassion, respect and fairness to all children throughout our great nation.

I applaud the goals that you have set forth for America's education system, your legislative initiative and the Student Bill of Rights.

Sincerely,



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President

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