11 Irving Street Yardley, PA 19067 March 26, 2008

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman IRRC 333 Market Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Chairman Coccodrilli:

I am asking you to support passage of the final-form child care regulations submitted by the Department of Public Welfare on March 10, 2008.

These regulations protect the health, safety and rights of children and reduce risks to children in child care facilities and reflect current best practice and research, improve clarity, and provide clear, consistent information to the provider and parent community about expectations. Since the regulations were last updated in April 1992, I believe that the changes in the minimum standards for the operation of the more than 9,000 childcare centers and homes serving more than 300,000 young children is very important.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Patricia R. Miiller

cc: Senator Robert C. Wonderling 172 Main Capitol, P.O. Box 203024, Harrisburg, PA 17120-2024