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Subject: Child Care Regulations 168, 3270, 3280, 3290, 3300

Dear IRRC:

I am writing to express full support of the Department of Public Welfare's final-form regulation, Chapters 3270, 3280, 3290 Child Care Facilities, regulation number #14-506 (#2539).

I am also writing to express full support of the Department of Public Welfare's final-form regulation Chapter 168, Child Care, regulation number #14-505 (#2549).

The Commonwealth has a responsibility to ensure the health, safety and well-being of children in out-of-home child care regardless of type of program, sponsorship, affiliation or tax status. I believe the proposed changes in the regulations move Pennsylvania ahead in creating a seamless system that will ensure the accessibility of accountable and appropriate child care for low-income, working families.

Please adopt these final form regulations. Enable the Department to apply them equitably and enforce compliance by all child care providers. I strongly urge you to support these regulations, which will result in improving child care in Pennsylvania.

Thank you.

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