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Mr. James Smith
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
333 Market Street, 14th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

RE: Pennsylvania Pre-K Counts final omitted re-submitted to you on April 7,2010 (#6-319).

IRRC Number 2817/#6-319

Dear Commission members:

We are writing to express our support for the Pennsylvania Pre-K Counts final omitted regulations submitted to you on April 7,2010 (#6-319). Success By 6® is and initiative of United Way of Lancaster County which has had as an objective the availability of quality early care and education for several years.

SB6, Lancaster County, agrees with the proposed regulations and believes they are important because they continue to ensure that quality standards and accountability measures are not only in place but are consistently implemented across all Pre-K Counts sites.

Pre-K Counts has made it possible for many organizations to serve more children with more highly qualified staff and to promote inclusion of children with disabilities and developmental delays.

Please allow this program to continue making the biggest difference for children by approving the regulations as submitted.

Sincerely,

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