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Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

April 22, 2013

The Honorable Jack Kingston
Chairman
Subcommittee on Labor, Health and
Human Services, and Education
2358 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Labor, Health and
Human Services, Education
1016 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chairman Kingston and Ranking Member DeLauro:

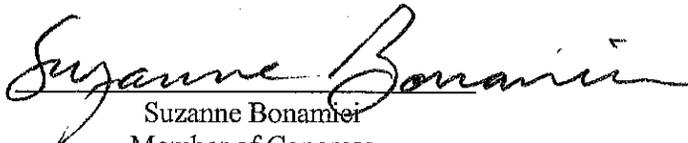
The Workforce Investment Act has funded critically important programs to help the unemployed and underemployed get back to work. This program is vital to Americans across the country, and we ask that you fund Title I of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) at its FY13 enacted level of approximately \$4,894,660,000.

Through education and job training, WIA helps Americans learn the skills they need to find employment and achieve greater education levels. Title I of WIA funds employment and training programs, pilot programs, and six nationwide programs and is administered by the Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration. WIA funds programs important to bringing citizens into the work force, including programs like Job Corps and others geared toward preparing disadvantaged youth, Native Americans and migrant and seasonal farm workers for employment.

WIA programs are built around regional and community needs, and local control is a key attribute. For example, Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs) govern WIA programs within states, distributing funds and developing statewide plans. Because WIBs are required to have local representatives from businesses, community-based organizations, and economic development agencies, WIA programs are tailored to the characteristics of each area where they are present. Additionally, One-Stop centers, which provide information on employment and training programs in a single, concentrated place, and WIA's value of universal access guarantee that its programs are available to anyone who should need them.

In 2010 alone, WIA Title I and II programs served over 8.6 million participants across the U.S. and its territories. It is essential that WIA Title I programs are able to continue the important work they do getting people back to work. Accordingly, we are requesting funding for WIA Title I at the FY13 enacted level of approximately \$4,894,660,000.

Sincerely,


Suzanne Bonamici
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Member of Congress

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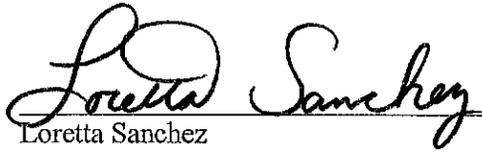
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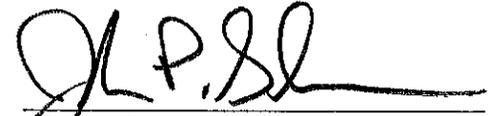
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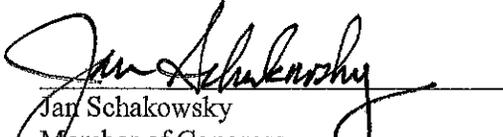
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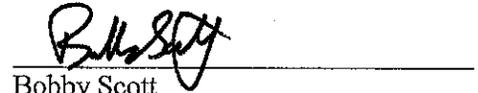
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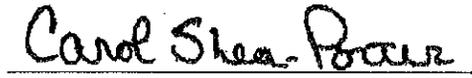
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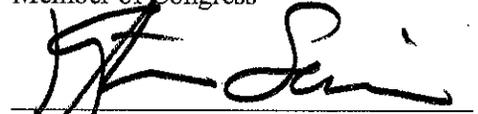

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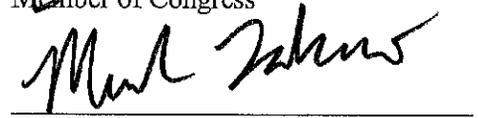

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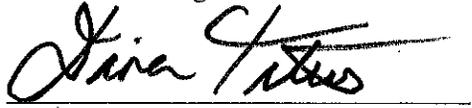

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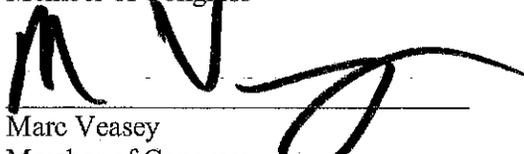

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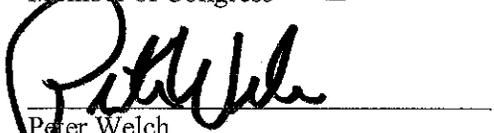

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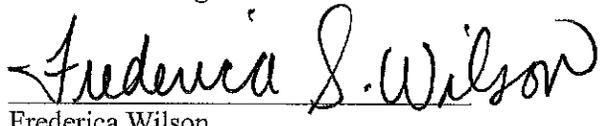

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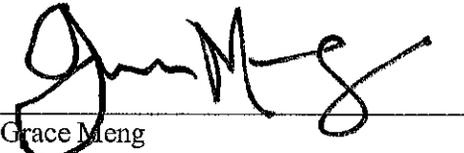

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Member of Congress