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To whom it may concern:

In Support of Probation School-Based Program and Increased Educational Services

Over the past five years, Studentnest has collaborated with the Probation Department in the community and institutions to provide educational (including tutoring) and mentoring services to probation and at-promise youth. We have also provided similar services to Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) for over 13 years and have been providing Homework Assistance and Tutoring with the Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA) since 2017. Our success and efforts have been greatly enhanced by our partnership with institutional probation staff and community deputy probation officers. The education intervention services have been vital in helping probationers succeed in school and gain the competency that allows them to enter the job market with the requisite skills now demanded by employers.

Studentnest strongly supports continuing the Probation Department's school-based and educational programs in the institutions and community. We must use the JJCPA funding to keep probationers and at-promise youth engaged in the learning process through school and academic support services. We are reminded that arrest-free is not fully prepared. Through the Probation Department's school-based program and increased JJCPA funding for educational service, we can provide one of the most decisive protective factors for our youth- education.

Sincerely,

Chander Joshi
President