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Statement of the Title IV, Part A Coalition on the House Labor HHS Education Subcommittee’s Action on Education Funding

Washington, D.C. - The Title IV, Part A Coalition, comprised of more than 75 national organizations, released the following statement in response to the House Labor HHS Education Appropriations Subcommittee’s decision to provide $1 billion in FY17 to the Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants Program (SSAEG):

“The Title IV, Part A Coalition applauds the House Labor HHS Education Appropriations Subcommittee’s decision to provide $1 billion in FY17 to SSAEG, the new flexible block grant program established in the Every Student Succeeds Act. SSAEG is designed to allocate funding to nearly all of America’s school districts, allowing them to invest in vital health, safety, academic and technology programs and services. While the Subcommittee would not fully fund SSAEG, we are encouraged by its actions and words in support of this most important program.

“Additionally, we extend our deepest appreciation to several House members who supported full funding for SSAEG: House Education & the Workforce Chairman John Kline (R-MN) and Ranking Member Bobby Scott (D-VA); and Representatives Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA), Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR), Carlos Curbelo (R-FL), Katherine Clark (D-MA), and Elise Stefanik (R-NY). This progress on funding would not have occurred without their strong advocacy.

“When the House Appropriations Committee meets later this month to mark-up the FY17 Labor HHS Education Appropriations bill, we urge its members to support full funding of SSAEG at $1.65 billion.”

Action for Healthy Kids
Afterschool Alliance
Alliance for Excellence Education
American Academy of Pediatrics
American Association of School Librarians
American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages
American Councils for International Education
American Counseling Association
American Dance Therapy Association
American Heart Association
American Library Association
American Music Therapy Association
American Occupational Therapy Association
American Psychological Association
American School Counselor Association
American School Health Association
American Translators Association
Americans for the Arts
ASCD
Association for Computer Professionals/Northwest
Association of School Business Officials International
Campaign for the Civic Mission of Schools
Character.org
Coalition for Community Schools
Consortium for School Networking
College Board
Committee for Children
Communities in Schools
Council for Economic Education
Council for Exceptional Children
Education Through Music
Essilor Vision Foundation
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Girls Inc.
Girl Scouts of the USA
Health Corps
Healthy Schools Campaign
Institute for Education Leadership
International Society for Technology in Education
Jazz at Lincoln Center
Jobs for the Future
The Joyful Child Foundation
League of American Orchestras
Lions Clubs International
MENTOR: The National Mentoring Partnership
Museum of Science, Boston
NAMM Foundation
National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships
National Association for College Admission Counseling.
National Association for Music Education
National Association of Elementary School Principals
National Association of Secondary School Principals
National Association of School Psychologists
National Association of Social Workers
National Association of State Boards of Education
National Association of State Directors of Special Education
National Center for Technological Literacy
National Coalition for History
National Council for the Social Studies
National Council of State Supervisors for Languages
National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
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National Science Teachers Association
National Superintendents Roundtable
Organization of American Kodály Educators
Partnership for 21st Century Learning
Percussive Arts Society
Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity of America
Safe Routes to School National Partnership
School Social Work Association of America
Sexuality Information and Education Council of the U.S.
SHAPE America
The Title IV, Part A Coalition is an alliance of more than 75 national organizations that believe the SSAEG program has the potential to support school districts in their central mission of providing our students with the skills, resources, and support they need to succeed.