

February 6, 2008

Senator Tom Harman
State Capitol, Room 2052
Sacramento, Ca. 95814

Dear Senator Harman:

As a parent in the Ocean View School District of Huntington Beach, I am deeply concerned about the effect of the Governor's proposed State Budget on public education. Further cuts to education funding will cause great harm to public schools that are already struggling to educate our children.

Our district has been cutting programs for several years due to inadequate funding and is now looking at substantial cuts for next year, when in reality, there is nowhere left to cut. We have larger class sizes and fewer adults in our schools to make a difference with our kids. Further reducing the money to education does not improve our situation.

The voters of our state have shown again and again that education is a top priority for us. California needs to provide our children with a quality education to prepare them and our state to be competitive in a global society. I urge you to do whatever you can to fight for the funding that our schools need, and our children deserve.

Sincerely,

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