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Dear

My name is _____ and I am a devoted supporter of Expanded Learning Opportunities in _____, OR. I have been working with _____, serving youth and helping families, for ___ years. In that time, I have seen the positive difference we have made in lives of children and working families; everything from being the safe place that parents rely on, to contributing to the academic achievement of students by helping inspire learning and exploration in youth outside of a 'normal' classroom.

As your constituent I ask that you support Expanded Learning Opportunities both at home, and in the state, by:

- Recognizing the need and value of high-quality afterschool and summer programs, particularly for low-income children and families.
- Supporting the growth and continuation of current funding sources. Make sure funds continue to be dedicated to support afterschool and summer programs: including 21st Century Community Learning Center funds, Employment Related Child Care, and USDA Afterschool and Summer Meals programs.
- Supporting the afterschool workforce by increasing the availability of high-quality and relevant professional development opportunities, and recognizing the value of this field of youth work.

I appreciate your help and ask that you also take the opportunity to learn more about Expanded Learning Opportunities on February 18th when afterschool and summer program providers will be visiting the Capitol to share their passion and experience with legislators. Please watch for more information from Oregon Afterschool for Kids, which will be delivered to you on February 18th.

Thank you for your time and service.
Sincerely,