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To Whom It May Concern:

We have been very lucky to partner with Filling in the Blanks for the past three years at our schools and summer camps. The relief and food security that this program offers to our families is life changing. Each of the students and campers that participate in this program goes home with a bag that has enough food to provide all of their meals throughout the weekend. This is a huge benefit for them, as all of the youth in our programs are provided free breakfast and lunch by the school, and not all of them necessarily have food at home on the weekends. Filling in the Blanks ensures that they do.

The stress of not knowing where your next meal is coming from or if there will even be one is a sad reality for many of our students and campers. Parents and students have been incredibly grateful, happy and receptive to this program. It is truly providing a sense of security that they wouldn't otherwise have.

As an example, we recently had a young boy whose mother was providing meals over the weekend but because of his age, it wasn't enough to sustain him, and because of other children in the home, she wasn't able to provide more. With the help of the Filling in the Blanks program, he is able to have enough food to sustain himself and not go to bed or wake up hungry. This not only impacts his weekend, but his ability to go to school on Monday well prepared to learn. This is also the case for many of the students and campers receiving these services.

We are thankful for this partnership and are hopeful that it will continue to benefit our students and families.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Duggan".

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