



April 3, 2018

The Honorable Stephanie Garcia Richard
New Mexico House of Representatives
290 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Representative Garcia Richard,

On behalf of Mission: Readiness, thank you for your support of New Mexico's evidence-based voluntary home visiting programs this legislative session. High-quality home visiting programs help prepare young children with a foundation for academic achievement and long-term success.

With 74% of New Mexico's youth ineligible to serve in the Armed Services, the retired admirals and generals of Mission: Readiness champion researched-based programs that ensure youth receive the high-quality early care and education to put them on a path of success that ensures military service remains an option in the future. By investing in evidence-based voluntary home visiting programs, we better prepare more young New Mexicans for productive lives.

We are grateful for your leadership and work to strengthen high-quality home visiting programs that help prepare the next generation to be citizen-ready. We look forward to working with your office on strengthening national security through preparing young people to live healthy, productive lives.

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jamie Lockhart". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jamie Lockhart
National Director