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Dear

The Trump administration has said it will abolish the U.S. Department of Education, and that is what is underway. The two closely related aspects of gutting federal education support are: 1) it will harm millions of the most vulnerable children in the United States, and 2) the savings will be diverted to support tax cuts for the most privileged adults in the United States.

Harming kids to enrich the wealthy is immoral.

Because of your important role as a member the legislative branch, I request—in the strongest yet most respectful terms possible—that you use the power of your office to fight for our kids.

The Bush and the Trump tax cuts added to the grotesque and growing income disparities in our country. There is no fair or humane rationale for the continued enrichment of a small group of people at the expense of so many living in poverty or barely making ends meet.

Wrecking the Department of Education for tax cuts will affect every public school district in Pennsylvania. Across the country, 26 million students will lose critical services. Federally funded special education services will be lost. At least 7.5 million students with disabilities will be affected. Twelve (12) million students will lose access to CTE programs.

Many of these children live in poverty. Public education and the programs funded by the federal government are what will give them a chance for a brighter future. We all must do what we can to make sure that future is not robbed from them by the current administration. That is what is happening. Can we count on you to be on the side of children with disabilities? Children who need our support? I am sure we can. The citizens of Pennsylvania and 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. need to hear it from you.

Sincerely,