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Dear RESULTS Partners,

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to you for your support for the Global Partnership for Education's first-ever pledging conference in Copenhagen on 8 November. It was a pivotal moment for the global effort to assure a quality education for all children. With representatives from 52 countries from around the globe, the conference sent a loud and clear message that education is the key to unlocking the development potential of all countries. This level of support and engagement was made possible by the tireless efforts of RESULTS grassroots partners in the U.S., Canada, the U.K. and Australia, which lead to increased leadership and political resources from these governments to achieve quality education for all.

With your support, the Global Partnership for Education Fund has now been kick-started with impressive initial pledges and is well on its way to reaching \$2 billion in the coming year. Impressively, our developing country partners committed to increasing their domestic spending on education by over \$2.5 billion between now and 2014. And five major donors, including the U.K. and Australia, committed to increasing bilateral aid to basic education. In addition, the U.S. provided its first ever contribution to the Global Partnership for Education Fund and Canada came in with an additional pledge. Equally impressive were the pledges from civil society, the teaching profession, the private sector and foundations to invest almost \$2 billion of their own organizational resources to expand activities in universal quality basic education programs over the replenishment period. Finally, the wide range of policy pledges made will help to ensure that the funds pledged are spent well and address the urgent need to get more girls into school, improve the quality of education, and help fragile states establish solid education systems. Without your support, none of this could have been achieved on 8 November.

But this is not the end; what comes next is even more important. It is now up to us to make sure that the momentum from Copenhagen continues until every child is in school for a quality education. I am confident of this, as I remain confident of your continued support.

Again, thank you very much for helping to make the Copenhagen Conference a success.

Sincerely,



Carol Bellamy
Chair

Global Partnership for Education Board of Directors