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34th District

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Suzanne Gellens, M.S.
Executive Director
Early Childhood Association of Florida
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Dear Suzanne:

Please express my sincere thanks to the Early Childhood Association of Florida for selecting me to receive the 2006 Champion for Children Legislative Award. This award is so meaningful to me because of my involvement in early childhood education throughout my years as a community activist and now as a Legislator.

Quality early childhood education is the foundation on which a child's success in life is built. Your organization understands that, and works to improve and expand high quality early care and education, advocates education and training of early childhood professionals, and supports policies and programs that strengthen families. I am proud to be an outspoken supporter of your issues and to stand with you on behalf of your members and the families they serve.

Congratulations on your outstanding efforts to enhance the quality of life for all children and families in Florida. I am sorry I can't be with you today, but I promise that I will be with you every day in Tallahassee – putting children first.

Warm Regards,

Nan Rich
State Senator

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