Appendix D

Sample Letter to Government Representative

February 3, 20--

The Honorable (First and Last name) (Mailing address) (City, State and ZIP)

Dear (Assemblyman or Senator and last name of person)

As a high school student taking applied arts courses such as accounting and architectural drawing, which are hands on, as well as the usual college preparatory courses, it concerns me that there is talk about cutting Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act funding again.

I will be attending a four-year college, but these courses are allowing me to get a feel for a major in architecture with the possibility of owning my own business in our free enterprise system. In addition, I am an active member of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), a national high school organization for the development of leadership, communication, and networking skills. With the leadership training together with the courses, I am getting a head start toward becoming a leader in my field, and the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act funds add to making this possible.

Especially with the goal of "no child left behind," it is even more important that the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act funds are kept intact if not increased for the betterment of our educational system. Therefore, may I count on your support?

Sincerely

John Brown, President Redwood High School FBLA Chapter