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Dear Ms.Noecker

We are so excited to see the early learning resolution on the agenda. Structural racism impacts a family's ability to access quality early childhood care and education programs. We are an organization that works with African diaspora women, and we understand the importance of this issue to our communities. There is a need to address this issue. Making early learning more accessible can have a positive impact on the education and development of children.

Here's why access to early learning is so important to us in our work. Children's early childhood education plays an important role in nurturing their development and providing them with the skills to succeed in life. Investing in early learning can help close the achievement gap and allow all children to reach their full potential. This is why we are passionate about making access to early learning a priority. Thank you for your leadership.

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