March 4, 2020

U.S. Congress
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator/Representative:

On behalf of our 3 million members and the 50 million students they serve, we urge you to VOTE YES on the $8 billion supplemental appropriations package to address the public health emergency posed by COVID-19. Votes on this issue may be included in NEA’s Report Card for the 116th Congress.

A robust supplemental appropriation is essential to address critical needs such as expanded surveillance by public health agencies; the procurement and distribution of protective equipment and medical supplies; the development, testing, and distribution of vaccines; and the protection of educators, education support professionals, and other public-facing workers.

Thank you for moving this supplemental package quickly. We stand ready to work with Congress to help contain the spread of COVID-19 and ensure that those infected by the virus receive the treatment they need—even if they do not have health insurance.

Sincerely,

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