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Dear Mr President:

I am happy to see parental leave in your budget draft. Policies which support parents such as free public daycare and parental leave are a great boon to society. This keeps more young people in the work force. More people will be able to stay in the careers for which they are trained. This increases productivity. It is also developmentally helpful for very young children to have a parent at home. Many other countries have very successful family leave policies. Such a policy here will help us to compete internationally. Maybe this is a reflection of the priorities your daughter and adviser.

Please assure me that you will push to keep family leave in the budget bill coming out of congress.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our egalitarian society.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson