



October 17, 2021

The Hon. _____	Senator Dianne Feinstein	Senator Alex Padilla
U.S. House of Representatives	United States Senate	United States Senate
The Capitol	The Capitol	The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510	Washington, DC 20510	Washington, DC 20510

Re: Co-sponsor the Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act

Dear Members of Congress,

Malnutrition is preventable. I urge you to co-sponsor the Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act of 2021 (H.R.4693 / S.2956).

The bipartisan legislation will authorize USAID to advance targeted programs to prevent and treat malnutrition around the world; ensure an elevated focus on nutrition programs across global health, food systems, and other sectors; and require robust monitoring of these interventions to ensure effective use of taxpayer dollars.

An additional 13.9 million children are expected to be severely malnourished by next year. The people who face hunger across the globe now number 811 million, erasing years of progress. Investing in nutrition saves lives, creates stability and is economically smart; for every \$1 invested there is an estimated \$35 in economic return.

Targeted interventions protect the nutrition of women and children during the critical 1000-day period between a woman's pregnancy and her child's second birthday and are essential for ensuring the development of children's physical and mental health.

As a Christian, I am called to love and care for my neighbors wherever they are. Every human being is made in God's image and carries a sacred dignity and immeasurable worth (Genesis 1:27). I urge you to co-sponsor H.R.4693 / S.2956 and advance global nutrition.

Sincerely,

(Print Name) _____

Address _____
