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Mr. Phil Grzewinski President, United Way of North Central Massachusetts 649 John Fitch Highway Fitchburg, MA 01420

Dear Phil,

I want to congratulate you on the collaboration for The Early Literacy Innovation Zone of North Central Massachusetts and Footsteps2Brillance for their partnership for the first region-wide "Early Literacy Zone."

Early literacy, in both English and Spanish is the pivotal first step in fueling a child's desire to become not only a successful student, but more importantly a life-long learner. Partnerships work and prioritizing early literacy and creating Innovation Zones with many partners from academia, business and philanthropy is a winning combination for our region.

Please extend my congratulations to all of your partners as you continue to move forward with these efforts to help all of our children become the best version of themselves.

Respectfully,

Dean A. Tran
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