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Mr. Peter Nero
Superintendent
North Stonington Public Schools
297 Norwich-Westerly Rd.
North Stonington, CT 06359-0901

Dear Mr. Nero:

The results of the twenty-first annual CABA Student Leadership Awards program are in. ***This letter accompanies a certificate for student(s) submitted from your district's high school, cover letters to the students.***

This program was developed to give local boards of education the opportunity to recognize student achievement and potential, and for the board itself to be recognized as a community leader.

Earlier this year we requested the names of a male and female student from high schools/middle schools in CABA member school districts. We received approximately 408 names from 204 different schools across the state. These students were picked from among their peers for exhibiting leadership qualities as defined by a list of criteria developed by a subcommittee of CABA's Board of Directors. As the names were submitted, I couldn't help but be impressed with the level of achievement by these students. You should be very proud of your students.

Since this is an award from CABA, we believe it should be awarded by the board of education. We ask you to work with your board chair to decide how best to present this award. One obvious way of publicly recognizing these students would be to give out the certificates at a regular board meeting. You might also consider giving them out at a school award ceremony (or doing both).

Last year there was extensive news coverage of these presentations in local papers. This is a great opportunity to showcase positive activities in your district. A press release template is enclosed for your use.

Congratulations on having such fine students in your district!

Robert Rader
Executive Director

cc: Board of Education Chairperson