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Dear Friend:

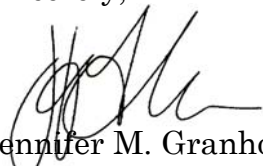
As we kick-off Michigan Mentoring Month during January, 2008 we want to thank you for being a mentor. Because you have made a decision to make a difference in a child's life, you are also helping to build a strong future for our youth, our communities, and our great state.

As mentors ourselves, we understand the time and energy this commitment requires. But we also know there are many rewards, and that you too are learning and growing from your experience. That's the great thing about mentoring—by sharing day-to-day experiences, lives are changed—two at a time.

As you probably know, mentoring organizations all over Michigan are looking for more mentors because the need is great. So as we celebrate Michigan Mentoring Month, we encourage you, your friends, and your family members to become mentors too. No matter where they live, they can find a child to mentor. You can direct them to the mentoring program you participate in, encourage them to call 2-1-1, or have them visit the Mentor Michigan web site at www.mentormichigan.org and click on "Be a Mentor."

Again, we applaud your dedication to mentoring and look forward to working with you in 2008. And we thank you for helping to change lives—two at a time.

Sincerely,



Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor



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First Gentleman