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Dear Sir,

Hereby, we are writing on behalf of the Croatian Teachers' Union (from Croatia, Europe).

We would like to congratulate you on your well deserved victory at the Supreme Court of Canada. Your legal battle has proved that unity, motivation and persistence can lead to the more efficient educational system. You defended your legitimate rights and, by fighting against the unconstitutional legislation, you have shown the world that it is possible to make the educational system more visible and more efficient.

Your victory is our inspiration to continue the fight for our own rights. In the Croatian educational system, we have many similar problems. Collective agreements are not being respected and educational inspections refuse to address the situation. It also has to be emphasized that the teachers are very disappointed with the educational system in general and their dignity is brought to the lowest level. The unconstitutional legislation allowed many times for our Government to underfund the education. We are currently trying to negotiate the payment of our material rights, although they are guaranteed in the collective agreements and therefore, again, it seems that the Government does not realize the importance of the education. If we don't care about the education, we don't care about the state wellbeing because raising and teaching the children must be, and it is, one of the most responsible and most important tasks.

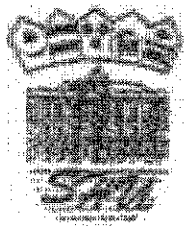
With your victory, we can see the sunshine at the end of the tunnel and there is hope that the teaching conditions will return to fair levels all over the world, including Croatia.

We strongly support you and we wish you prosperity with better conditions for teachers and children all over the world, because the children are our future.

Yours faithfully,

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