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The Honorable Harry Reid
Majority Leader
United States Senate
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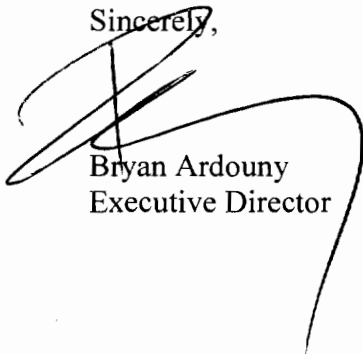
Dear Majority Leader Reid:

On behalf of the Armenian Assembly of America and the Armenian-American community, we appreciate your continued commitment to human rights issues, especially as it pertains to affirmation of the Armenian Genocide.

I am writing today to urge you to cosponsor S. Res. 316 and to assist in ensuring its passage. Introduced by your colleagues Senators Robert Menendez and John Ensign, S.Res. 316 reaffirms the historical fact of the Armenian Genocide. This legislation also recalls the proud chapter in U.S. history in alerting the world to horrors taking place against the Armenian people and in helping to save the survivors of the first genocide of the twentieth century. America's humanitarian intervention at that time was unprecedented.

Despite the incontestable facts, a vigorous campaign to deny this great crime against humanity continues to this very day. By affirming the truth in the face of denial, you will help contribute to the cause of genocide education and prevention, and give true meaning to the words "never again." We look forward to working with you in helping to secure successful passage of this important human rights legislation this Congress before the few remaining survivors are no longer with us.

Sincerely,



Bryan Ardouny
Executive Director