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Dear Colleague Board Member,

Link to Screencast Presentation on IASB Resolution 4

As a Board member who serves your community, I know we share a selfless commitment to do what is right on behalf of kids. I am writing to you and sending along a screencast presentation on an IASB Delegate Assembly resolution to better explain Resolution 4, which I and my Avoca Board colleagues proposed because it is what is right on behalf of kids.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to this presentation. While we don't expect you to show this at your Board meeting, I hope you do take the time to listen to it. As a Board member myself, I know how valuable our time is, and I am sure this will be worth your time, especially since we all value the importance of making it possible for every student to read at grade level.

Please note that Resolution 4 in the Resolutions Committee Report is titled "Pre-K Teachers." This was not the title of the originally submitted resolution. Our focus in Resolution 4 is "pre-service teachers," meaning those teachers who are finishing their college coursework necessary to become credentialed as teachers in Illinois. Nothing could be more important than the quality of the teachers you hire, and this resolution is meant to encourage the state in its licensing, to make sure the teachers you are sent are fully qualified to teach reading to our youngest students.

I look forward to answering your delegate's questions and I hope you can encourage your delegate to support Resolution 4.

Sincerely,

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