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Dear

Polls show that over 80% of Americans agree with you and me that English should be the official language of the United States. So what I am about to tell you may come as a shock.

The fact is, millions of our tax dollars are being used to support a special interest group that is dedicated to stopping English from becoming our official language!

That's right. It is a group called "The National Council of La Raza" — which means "the race" in Spanish. Headquartered just blocks from the White House in Washington, DC, it describes itself as "the largest national Hispanic civil rights and advocacy organization in the United States."

La Raza is, in fact, one of the best-financed and most powerful anti-English pressure groups in our nation. And one of the things they are very good at is convincing Congress to hand over our tax money to further their agenda.

Since 1996, for example, our federal government has handed over more than \$30 million in tax money to La Raza. Last year, lawmakers came close to passing a bill that would have authorized a \$5 million payout in 2008 — and \$10 million for each fiscal year after that! And this year, pro-La Raza supporters in Congress managed to slip in an earmark for nearly \$1 million into the massive omnibus spending bill for this extremist organization!

And how does La Raza spend your tax dollars?

One of their major agenda items is to battle against what 80% of American taxpayers want: making English our official language.

To say this is outrageous is an understatement. In fact, I believe La Raza's agenda is dangerous to our American way of life. And I want to put a stop to it <u>now</u>. That is why I'm writing to you today, Ms. Roth.

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As Chairman of U.S.ENGLISH, I don't believe lawmakers should be handing out millions of tax dollars to La Raza or any other lobbying group that is working directly against the wishes of the American people by promoting official multilingualism.

If you agree, I urge you to please affix the STOP LA RAZA STICKER at the top of this letter to the spot on the enclosed Reply Form and authorize U.S.ENGLISH to launch our aggressive campaign on Capitol Hill to stop funding La Raza and halt the influence of this extremist group in Washington.

I want to be clear about this. Stopping Official English is only part of La Raza's agenda, but it is a major part.

Whenever U.S.ENGLISH lobbyists go to Capitol Hill to urge members of Congress to pass our legislative agenda, we are opposed by La Raza lobbyists arguing for official multilingualism.

Whenever U.S.ENGLISH argues in the media that English is crucial, we are opposed by La Raza activists who insult Official English supporters as "anti-immigrant."

Whenever U.S.ENGLISH succeeds in convincing states to pass Official English — and 30 have done so — we are opposed by La Raza lawyers who file lawsuits attempting to overturn the will of the people.

Make no mistake: the success of our federal and state legislative agenda can only be accomplished if we STOP this powerful enemy. *And stopping them just got more difficult* ...

President Obama promised not to appoint any lobbyists to his administration. But he has made one of his few exceptions for Cecilia Muñoz, whose previous job was Senior Vice President for the National Council of La Raza!

This is the same Cecilia Muñoz who, while lobbying the last Congress, called U.S.ENGLISH's efforts to stop official multilingualism "offensive and insulting." Now, Muñoz will be the ultimate "insider," using her influence to block our efforts to establish English as our official language ... and in fact push the United States toward official multilingualism!

La Raza's growing influence is a serious threat. And they are getting more powerful and aggressive every day, declaring their open support for driver's licenses for illegal immigrants, bilingual ballots and voting rights for illegal aliens.

And worst of all, they are using <u>our tax dollars</u> to wage these outrageous campaigns!

As you know, unlike La Raza, U.S.ENGLISH receives no federal funds to promote our efforts. We rely solely — 100 percent! — on the generosity of our members and supporters, like you, to help fund our critical efforts in Washington, state legislatures, and courts.

Believe me, I know times are tough. The current economic recession is hitting us all hard.

Yet, we cannot afford to scale back our defense of English — especially at a time when our powerful opponents like La Raza are scaling up their attacks on the role of English in America.

That's why the most important thing we can do today is join together in opposition to this anti-assimilation group that seeks to radically expand multilingual policies, ban English from ever becoming our nation's official language — and open up the floodgates to millions of illegal aliens — by launching a campaign to halt all government funding for La Raza.

So please, Ms. Roth, can I count on you to join with your fellow U.S.ENGLISH supporters as we fight to halt La Raza's influence in Washington?

Help U.S.ENGLISH <u>STOP LA RAZA</u> today by removing the STOP sticker from this letter and demonstrating your support for our ambitious campaign by affixing it to the spot on your Campaign Authorization Form enclosed.

Then return your Reply Form along with your contribution of \$35, \$55, \$70, or whatever amount you can spare at this time.

If you agree La Raza shouldn't receive one dime of your tax money, then I urge you to support U.S.ENGLISH's aggressive campaign on Capitol Hill to STOP FUNDING LA RAZA today!

Sincerely,

Mauro E. Mujica U. Chairman of the Board

- P.S. Our federal government is handing over your tax dollars to La Raza, a radical anti-assimilation group that lobbies for amnesty, benefits for illegal aliens, and a radical expansion of costly multilingual policies and U.S.ENGLISH needs your help to put a stop to it! That's why I urge you to affix the STOP LA RAZA STICKER on the enclosed Reply Form and return it along with your most generous contribution to support our efforts to halt all taxpayer funding of La Raza!
- P.P.S. Thank you, for your last gift of \$35, which has helped support our work on your behalf. As you seal your Campaign Authorization form in the enclosed envelope today, I hope you can include another gift to help us win this critical battle to halt the influence of La Raza on the issues you care about most.

## CAMPAGN AUTHORIZATION

FROM:

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Ms. Ivy M. Roth PO Box 4779 Salem, OR 97302-8779  TO: Mauro E. Mujica Chairman, U.S.ENGLISH



Place Sticker Here.

YES, I fully support U.S. ENGLISH's urgent campaign in Washington to prevent the use of my tax dollars from funding the radical, anti-assimilation group, the National Council of La Raza — and to halt the influence of La Raza on public policy, including the issues of amnesty and whether or not immigrants should have to learn English to become citizens.

Please sign here:

Ms. Ivy M. Roth

To ensure U.S.ENGLISH has the funds it needs to wage this critical battle to challenge the enormous influence of La Raza in Washington, and halt all federal funding of this anti-assimilation special interest group, I am enclosing a generous contribution in the amount of:

[ ] \$35

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