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Dear Senator Capito,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and spirits. On behalf of Conservation Legacy, I am delighted to extend an invitation to you to attend a special AmeriCorps demonstration event in the picturesque New River Gorge National Park, West Virginia. This event aims to showcase the remarkable efforts of AmeriCorps members serving in our state, representing AmeriCorps Conservation Corps, AmeriCorps State and National, and AmeriCorps VISTA.

The 90-minute demonstration can be held between August 15th to 21st, and we kindly request that you choose a date that best suits your schedule to participate. This occasion presents an exceptional opportunity for you to witness firsthand the dedication and hard work of AmeriCorps members who are making a profound impact in West Virginia's communities through their service.

The day's activities will include a conservation crew demonstration, where AmeriCorps members will showcase their skills and commitment to environmental stewardship. Additionally, there will be a meet and greet session, providing you with the chance to engage in meaningful conversations with West Virginian AmeriCorps members and learn more about their experiences and projects.

Conservation Legacy takes immense pride in supporting local conservation service programs, with a focus on delivering high-quality programming in communities throughout the nation, generating lasting effects through grassroots actions. Within our organization, two programs, Stewards Individual Placements, and Appalachian Conservation Corps, have been actively collaborating on initiatives within the beautiful state of West Virginia. Specifically, the West Virginia Rural Engagement Ambassadors for Development and Youth (WV READY) initiative concentrates on supporting communities in their efforts to enhance outdoor recreation and tourism, promoting the state's natural treasures and cultural heritage.

Your presence at this AmeriCorps demonstration event will not only recognize the hard work of these dedicated individuals but also highlight the importance of national service in addressing the conservation needs of our great state. We are certain that your attendance will inspire and motivate both AmeriCorps members and the local community members they serve.



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We eagerly await your response and the selection of a suitable date for the event. We believe your presence would greatly enhance the occasion and provide a valuable opportunity to celebrate the positive contributions of AmeriCorps in West Virginia. The 90-minute demonstration event can be scheduled for August 15 through August 21, between the hours of 8:00AM and 4:00PM. We would meet at the New River Gorge National Park Headquarters, 104 Co Rte25/9 in Glen Jean.

To arrange your visit or for additional information, please contact Jennifer Ney, Managing Director of Voices for National Service at jney@cityyear.org or 202-742-7380.

Thank you for considering our invitation, and we look forward to the honor of hosting you at the New River Gorge National Park.

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