



**Unitarian Universalist
Legislative Ministry
of New Jersey**

A voice for justice, equality and compassion in New Jersey

Date:

Dear _____,

I write to encourage you to support tuition equity for all New Jersey students.

Assembly Bill 3509 would provide for instate tuition for undocumented youth in New Jersey. The students for whom it makes a difference are New Jerseyans: they live here, they were educated in high school here, and overwhelmingly they intend to stay here and build careers and families. They are our neighbors and friends. As a Unitarian Universalist, I believe in the worth and dignity of every human being, and I believe this is a matter of fairness and inclusion.

I therefore encourage you to support A3509, and I further urge you to **support access to financial aid** in A3509. Without the financial aid provision, many students would still not have the means to go to college, to study and prepare themselves for a successful career. Access to financial aid enables full participation in the promise of higher education.

These young people are ours. They grew up here, and they belong to all of us. They are part of our schools, part of our communities, and part of our state. We need to recognize the simple fairness and justice of acknowledging them as New Jerseyans, and encouraging their hopes for higher education.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Printed name:

Address: