

Messages to Dept. of Education and Labor

Chairman George Miller from members of The Hitting Stops Here!, Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education and American SAFEPASS (Student Alliance For Education in Peaceful American Schools)

November 18-December 21, 2009

December 21, 2009

Announcement:

Regarding the “timeline” for implementing Dept. of Education and Labor Chairman George Miller’s newly introduced legislation (see H.R.4247 and S.2860 below), any actions taking longer than aligning ALL “disciplinary” practices in our American schools with the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment “equal protection” clause is unacceptable and unnecessary. Need proof? Consider whether it would take more than a day to implement laws prohibiting American school teachers and administrators from using duct tape on students’ mouths, or restraining their movements with handcuffs or bungee cords, or locking them up in chemical-reeking closets if they were the children of an American president.

Regarding American school corporal punishment, an article released in Wash DC on Dec 7, 2009 had this headline: “*Bipartisan Lawmakers to Introduce Legislation to Protect All Children in Schools from Abuse.*” Yet, Chairman George Miller failed to even *mention* the practice of “buttocks beating,” also known as corporal punishment, that teachers and administrators target at our American school children from ages 3 through 18 and older in our schools.

The hierarchy of primary targets of US school corporal punishment follows:

- Black American boys
- Black American girls
- Latinos
- Native Americans
- Disabled students
- Openly gay students

Please review the three most compelling, sound and professional documents released between Aug 20, 2008 and May 19, 2009, replete with cases and evidence.\*

The sanctioned and “lawless” abuse targeted at our American school children violating their 14<sup>th</sup> amendment “equal protection” right CAN be interrupted and ENDED IMMEDIATELY. This same law was violated by “lynch mobs” in the first half of 20<sup>th</sup> century America.

Miller’s plans to take time to "craft" laws for the purpose of protecting our US school children from “known forms” of abuse is completely unnecessary and allows for more time in which teachers and administrators may brutalize them.

Which other groups of American citizens would put up with *waiting* for “certain laws” to be “crafted” before they can receive protection from ill-treatment, having the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment available to them NOW!?? No such groups exist. Our children are being taken advantage of in the same manner as our slaves were, for they cannot speak up for themselves any more than could a slave.

Teachers, principals and other caregivers are the ONLY American citizens “sanctioned” to "break the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment law," leaving their victims, our American school children, without "equal protection" or "due process” of law.

Chairman George Miller's failure to protect our American school children IMMEDIATELY from American school abuse by denying them of their 14th amendment right is a breach in his sworn duty of upholding the US Constitution for ALL American citizens.

Denying our American school children of this “inalienable right” IS A CRIME.

Simply enforcing our children’s US citizen 14th amendment right protects each one of them IMMEDIATELY. Our children have no time for Mr. Miller to take the “scenic route” for having them protected from harm.

When seclusions and restraints are used on children “professionally,” it is always a benefit to them and to children in their environment. Equal in importance to having our school children protected by their 14<sup>th</sup> amendment right is having their caregivers receive IMMEDIATE training for executing seclusions and restraints professionally. This training does not take long—certainly not two years. We can have ALL school children safe in no time.

The bulk of residents in our swiftly growing American prison systems are minorities starting with Black American Men, and adults with special needs.

The bulk of our “targets” for American school abuse are minorities, starting with Black American boys, and children with special needs.

Would Mr. Miller be on the “scenic route” to "safe schools" if the primary targets of American school abuse were “little white girls” instead of black boys?

If “We The People” fail to call our government to uphold the US Constitution for our American school children then America is a "lawless" nation.

Teachers, like everyone else, are required to obey US laws within every square inch of this country and its territories, including those square inches covered by American school campuses. How much more so than when behind "closed doors" with someone else’s child?

Money for building-up our US prison systems would be best spent on workshops that equip our educators with 21<sup>st</sup> century proven models of discipline that do not “leave our children or teachers behind.”

American school teachers benefit our children when they use positive discipline behavior management tools--tools that are mutually respectful, effective and kind. These tools are already being used in schools like those of our president’s children where the “well-being of children” matters.

These tools cost far less than prison projects in EVERY way.

A "healthy" society responds immediately to the safety needs of its children, rather than “two years” down the line. American school abuse can END before 2010! No one knows this to be true better than Dept. of Education and Labor Chairman George Miller.

Nonviolent protests have already begun outside of Mr. George Miller’s Concord, CA office by members of The Hitting Stops Here!, Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education and American SAFEPASS (Student Alliance For Education in Safe American Schools). Other nonviolent protests are being planned in several US states and in Wash DC.

We have no intentions on waiting another two years for Mr. George Miller to protect our American school children from school abuse. We will not stop protesting outside of his offices until our American school children are safe from what Congresswoman Lynn Woolsey termed “legalized child abuse” (May 2009).

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Positive Discipline:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/paulaflowe#p/a/f/0/Ajcb4bwZQnE>

Mr. Obama, American School Children are READY For CHANGE:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/paulaflowe#p/a/u/1/lhAdjP4zocI>

Legacy of American School Abuse:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/paulaflowe#p/u/3/isWoSYTa2N8>

Beat'n Us Like 200 Years Ago:

[http://www.youtube.com/user/paulaflowe#p/a/u/2/oQPs-3V\\_ct0](http://www.youtube.com/user/paulaflowe#p/a/u/2/oQPs-3V_ct0)

America Speaks Radio: Show Hostess, Paula Flowe

<http://www.blogtalkradio.com/paula-flowe>

Nonviolent Protests updates on Twitter:

<http://twitter.com/TheHSH>

Nonviolent Protest Schedule outside of George Miller's Concord, CA office:

[http://www.thehittingstopshereurstory.com/newsroom/2009/nonviolent\\_protests.php](http://www.thehittingstopshereurstory.com/newsroom/2009/nonviolent_protests.php)

What is George Miller thinking?:

[http://www.thehittingstopshereurstory.com/newsroom/2009/a11\\_08.php](http://www.thehittingstopshereurstory.com/newsroom/2009/a11_08.php)

See "Candidate for California Congresswoman," Virginia Fuller's, latest YouTube. Support her efforts for having safe American schools. Virginia Fuller CARES about America's school children:

<http://www.fullerforcongress.org/>

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## Preventing Harmful Restraint and Seclusion in Schools Act: What Does it Mean for Children with Disabilities

H.R.4247 and S.2860 have real strengths that will significantly protect children with disabilities. The bill bans:

- the use of mechanical and chemical restraints
- restraints that impede breathing
- aversives that compromise health and safety
- using restraint and seclusion for "educational disruptions"
- The bill permits physical restraint and locked seclusion only when there is an imminent risk of physical injury and requires direct face-to-face monitoring of children, enabling quick detection of distress and illness.

[Words of The Hitting Stops Here!: *Our school children face the above forms of abuse targeted at them by teachers*

*and administrators every school day in America. These forms of teacher and administrator abuse can be ended immediately under "responsible leadership." ]*

Read Preventing Harmful Restraint and Seclusion in Schools Act: What Does it Mean For Children with Disabilities? by Jessica Butler, Esquire.

This article is available as a printer-friendly PDF document and in html:

<http://www.wrightslaw.com/info/restraint.hr4247.butler.pdf>

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IEPs, BIPs, and Educational Plans

The bill will prohibit physical restraint and locked seclusion from being included in IEPs, BIPs, or other student educational plans.

This prevents schools from circumventing the law through the IEP.

H.R. 4247 requires: a strong positive behavioral intervention component the reporting of data the systematic training of staff

It also requires personnel to always ensure that less restrictive measures are used, rather than using a plan that always ends in restraint/seclusion.

The Department of Education must issue regulations six months after the bill is enacted, and the states must provide assurances of compliance to the Department within 2 years. In this new article you'll find more about the role of US DOE, State responsibility, and reporting data.

What Can You Do?

Read about the strengths and weaknesses in the new bill, how it can be improved, then find out How to Contact Congress.

December 18, 2009

Survey poll questions sent out on December 17, 2009

Please answer the questions that follow based on each of the two given scenarios:

The primary targets of American school corporal punishment, nationwide, are White Girls and the primary beaters are Black Men:

- 1) Would it take a lawyer to fight the case for one of these "abused white girls" in order to have school beatings end in American schools? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) If you answered yes, what would the lawyer likely charge per hour? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) How soon do you think the case would be settled? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) How soon would corporal punishment be banned nationwide? \_\_\_\_\_

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2) If you answered yes, what would the lawyer likely charge per hour? \_\_\_\_\_

3) How soon do you think the case would be settled? \_\_\_\_\_

4) How soon would corporal punishment be banned nationwide? \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your participation.

December 18, 2009

Thank you for participating in this poll. We found out what we already knew.

Regarding the “type of case” a lawyer would even consider, Mr. Robert Fathman, 26 year **child advocate** veteran, had this to say:

----- Original Message -----

From: Robert Fathman

To: [jimmydunne@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jimmydunne@sbcglobal.net)

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 10:40 AM

Subject: RE: Constitutional questions about school paddling

...A few years ago the ACLU in NYC said that they would consider taking on a case if it met all the conditions your attorney said, and also was an egregious injury, to a well-behaved child. A white girl, blond, would be best...

Bob

Consider this:

Mr. Fathman has been involved with the US government for 26 years regarding American school corporal punishment. By now, he is a great resource for knowing what it will take to end, what California

Congresswoman Lynn Woolsey termed, “legalized child abuse” in our schools, which primarily targets Black American boys and girls, Latinos, Native Americans and children with disabilities.

The bottom line is, we need a case of a “well-behaved little white blonde girl,” otherwise no lawyer will be “bothered” because lawyers know that the US government is not interested in abused “colored” children on any level, even to the point of death (see GAO report pp 15-17 located on Home page of [www.TheHittingStopsHere.com](http://www.TheHittingStopsHere.com)).

According to what Mr. Fathman is saying, our minorities and disabled students have no chance of ever being freed from this “American school abuse” scourge because no American teacher or administrator will cause an “egregious injury” to a little white blonde well-behaved American girl.

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**In response to the cost of a lawyer, Attorney Michael Skadden had this to say:**

----- Original Message -----

From: Michael Skadden  
To: [jimmydunne@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jimmydunne@sbcglobal.net)  
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 10:26 AM  
Subject: Re: Constitutional questions about school paddling

Dear Jimmy:

Not unless I'm paid my hourly rate (\$325 and hour plus costs). In order to get this going, you're going to need a plaintiff (i.e., a child who has been paddled and his or her parents) and at that one who used the proper administrative procedures to protest the paddling before it was administered. They have to be willing to go through a very long administrative and court process to get a decision which in the end may not be favorable.

Jimmy, you're looking at at least \$100K and maybe a lot more in litigation costs if it has to go all the way. I suggest your organization set up a litigation fund, get money to fund the case, and then go looking for a plaintiff and a lawyer to litigate it.

Regards,

Michael  
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In response to question 4, "How soon would **school corporal punishment** be banned nationwide if the primary targets were:

- white girls beaten by black men? Responses ranged from: Soon, Quickly, Immediately
- black boys beaten by white men? One consistent response: Never

Thank you.

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Please view our Wackerville collection of cartoons that are not so funny:

<http://www.thehittingstopshere.com/wackerville.php>

"The ultimate tragedy is not the oppression and cruelty by the bad people but the silence over that by the good people". Martin Luther King Jr.

December 17, 2009

...Furthermore, our governing officials will say to you that this is an issue of "state and local" government rights to keep these practices on their books. And, indeed, this is true. However, according to Article 6 paragraph 2 of the US Constitution, "state and local" laws that conflict with the U S Constitution "...must be abolished." "State and local laws" may not usurp, supersede, "talk over" our awesome US Constitution.

You are a US citizen if you were born within the borders of the USA and its territories. This law is our inalienable right. This right is available immediately and covers ALL square inches of our land including those square inches covered by "American school campuses." Beating children is harmful. Therefore, to target our American school children with harmful discipline "models" is a violation of their 14th amendment "equal protection" right.

People often wonder why parents go to jail if they abuse their children in the same way that American school teachers and administrators abuse the school children in their care.

The answer is simple.

American schools are among places in the US where the US Constitution "disappears" for American citizens. (Example: see fatal cases that occurred in our American schools by reading the GAO report, pp 15-17 located on the Home page of [www.TheHittingStopsHere.com](http://www.TheHittingStopsHere.com)).

In ALL cases the 14th amendment "equal protection" law is being violated.

Learn more at: [www.TheHittingStopsHere.com](http://www.TheHittingStopsHere.com)

Please see what the "experts" have to say:

<http://www.thehittingstopshere.com/videos.php>

Thank you.

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December 17, 2009

The point that matters is that when they placed a law against “liquids and gels” on airplanes they actually had to use “ink” because they needed to make something “illegal.”

What our American school teachers are doing is already illegal. They are simply violating the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment

“EQUAL PROTECTION” of law clause and our government is holding out on enforcing this law. Most people think it takes years to pass a law. I request that you learn more about how swiftly the “No Liquids and Gels” law came about, and there are others. Our government takes advantage of this kind of ignorance of “WE THE PEOPLE.” We must learn, understand and use the

US Constitution to make America "the beautiful" for our children. Otherwise, we are nothing more than a “lawless” nation—like back in the “wild-wild west” days.

Our government grows more powerfully when we lack knowledge of our laws...it’s known as Corruption.

I choose to refer to "corruption" by a different term though. I choose to refer to it as a "loss in integrity" on the part of government officials; a loss that can be restored the minute each governing official chooses to adhere to the US Constitution as they swore to do upon taking their office. Whenever they choose to or mistakenly fail to choose integrity, WE THE PEOPLE, according to the "Preamble" of the Constitution, can "call them" on their poor choice, challenge them to obey the “Law of the Land” or

be removed from office: No "Lawbreakers" allowed!, says "WE THE PEOPLE." And say it loud, "WE THE PEOPLE."

Our children pledge their allegiance to our US government every school day. It is time for our US government to pledge their allegiance back to them.

American School Abuse CAN END before 2010!

Say it 10 times fast.

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The Federal "Liquids and Gels" law was created, signed and implemented in less than 24 hours.

It has been in effect since "day one" of the crime that caused the creation of this federal law.

I travelled the morning of the crime (PST). The night before there was no such law because there had been no such crime.

My "liquids and gels" were packed in my carry-ons at 9pm the night before. My flight was 9am PST the next morning-- the date of the crime.

Overnight the law was written and signed. Everyone travelling before the ink had even dried was told,

"Stop! Drop your liquids and gels in the rubbish bins."

There is all the more reason to create and implement a law "overnight" that says, "Stop! Drop your paddles, duct tape, bungee cords, ropes, handcuffs, and the like in the rubbish bins." Oh, and don't forget those taser guns.

YES, we CAN, America! (Remember that?)

Our American school children are READY FOR a CHANGE that does not require first aid, emergency medical treatment or mental health therapy for life.

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Please see photos of bruises that are reported more than 2000 times a day in American schools. *Reporting is not mandatory:*

[http://www.thehittingstopshere.com/media\\_photos\\_warning.php](http://www.thehittingstopshere.com/media_photos_warning.php)

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Please view this 3 minute YouTube that demonstrates the type of discipline used in schools that children of American presidents and other important people attend where they are trained by competent teachers. Even our American school children found at the bottom of the American caste system deserve to be treated with mutual respect, dignity and kindness.

Positive Discipline:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/paulaflowe#p/a/f/0/Ajcb4bwZQnE>

Thank you.

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December 17, 2009

Mr. Obama, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Miller,

Please see the 1 minute YouTube on this link.

This boy will have a hard time overcoming this experience of American school abuse.

<http://www.youtube.com/user/paulaflowe#p/a/u/1/lhAdjP4zocI>

December 9, 2009

This message is being sent to more than **50 Black American Leaders.**

**Since President Obama was elected in fall 2008 the number of American school beatings has increased by 100,000 in one single year.** That increase is unprecedented by any other year in American history. Prior to Pres. Obama's election, the number was showing a slow decline.

In the state of South Carolina, recent statistics show that although the number of black boys is smaller than the number of white boys in their "school corporal punishment districts," **72% of the Black boys were reportedly beaten** by teachers and principals. **Reporting is not mandatory.** I believe Congressman James Clyburne is the State Rep. of South Carolina and I believe he is a Black man.

**The American school paddles need to be buried by ole' slave massa's whippin' post.**

**Chairman of Dept. of Education and Labor George Miller and State Secretary of Education, Mr. Arne Duncan** received, from The Hitting Stops Here!, three of the most recent sound, compelling, professional reports on the issue of **American school abuse** of this millennium, all written within nine months of each other (Aug 2008-May2009). All three point to the fact that Black American boys are targeted at an alarming rate and **the blacker the skin, the harder the beating** (A Violent Education Aug 2008). Following Black boys in the hierarchy of American school beatings are Black girls, Latinos, Native Americans, and children with

special needs, **particularly "nonverbal" students.**

Our little girls and teen girls are being bent over the desks of teachers and administrators and spanked like little prostitutes, except our tax-dollars are paying for the "service." They are being grabbed in "all kinds of ways," by male teachers and administrators (ACLU report: A Violent Education, 2008).

Here are the links to the reports submitted to our governing officials who serve our American school children. Please be informed:

**Government Accountability Office report**, Seclusions and Restraints: Selected Cases of Death and Abuse at Public and Private Schools and Treatment Centers, May 2009:

**[http://thehittingstopshere.com/docs/GOA\\_2009.pdf](http://thehittingstopshere.com/docs/GOA_2009.pdf)**

**UC Davis Law Review: STATE ACTORS BEATING CHILDREN: A CALL FOR JUDICIAL RELIEF**, April 2009 (subject matter: the "unconstitutionality" of school corporal punishment):

**<http://thehittingstopshere.com/docs/State%20Actors%20UC%20Dav.pdf>**

A Violent Education: ACLU report, August 2008:

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**And Legacy of School Abuse:**

**<http://www.youtube.com/user/paulaflowe#p/u/0/isWoSYTa2N8>**

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December 9, 2009

George,

Will you **protect ALL school children from school abuse** as you mentioned in your recent news release?

You forgot to mention **American school beatings**. I hope school beatings weren't left out because the primary targets of this form of abuse are Black American boys, just as their ancestors were beaten on slave plantations by your ancestors.

Just wanted to remind you that this "school abuse," which is the "hub" of ALL school abuse, **MUST STOP NOW!!!**

I'll be outside of your Concord, CA office in front of your busy intersection this morning holding a nonviolent protest during rush-hour with college student members of American SAFEPASS (Student Alliance For Education in Peaceful American Schools).

**The "American School Butt Beating Fest" is OVER, George!!!**

**Know that.**

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George Miller: If The Primary Targets Were Little White Girls Instead of Black Boys...

...would you ban American school corporal punishment along with restraints and seclusions?

Below is a letter delivered to Mr. George Miller on December 2, 2009 along with a photo of a 5th Special Ed. Black American boy whose buttocks was so swollen from an American school beating that he needed emergency medical care. The boy was suffering from "post traumatic stress disorder" due to recently witnessing his father shot and die in a pool of blood. The school new this prior to his beating. The teacher who beat him after squeezing his buttocks to see if there was any paddling, reared back and swung as mightily as he could six times. The boy was accused of being the cause of another 5th grader crying when he lost a game they were playing.

The other photo was of an 18 year old man. A student old enough to die in the current war. The "man student" was beaten three weeks before senior graduation by a man (school administrator) for cutting a class on "senior day." See photos or corporal punishment related injuries:

[http://www.thehittingstopshere.com/media\\_photos\\_index.php](http://www.thehittingstopshere.com/media_photos_index.php)

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December 2, 2009

Dear Chairman George Miller,

This morning I addressed two letters to you. The first contained a message of only eight words. It said, "Thank you for being a man of integrity." That one was to be delivered upon hearing that you responded positively to our request for having sanctioned and lawless American school abuse brought to an immediate end.

I wrote the letter that you are holding in your hands right now in the event that you failed to honor this request which was presented in writing on Nov. 18, 2009 at your Concord, CA office.

The Hitting Stops Here!, Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education and the San Jose City College Associated Student Club, American SAFEPASS (Student Alliance For Education in Peaceful American Schools) regret that you are allowing American school abuse to continue while knowing that children are being brutalized, some to the point of death, by American school teachers every

school day in the US and its territories. You are fully aware that there are more than 2000 reports of abuse submitted daily and that reporting is not mandatory. You know also that this number does not include the use of harmful seclusions and restraints, nor the number of times that teachers grab, kick, shove, pinch, punch, duct tape mouths or who deny the use student restroom needs. You also know that since the election of President Obama in fall 2008, the number of beatings has reportedly increased by 100,000 in just one school year, an increase unprecedented by any other single year in the history of American schools.

Our American school children are precious, even those found at the bottom of the American caste system. These children are the primary targets of American school abuse and they consist of Black American boys and girls, Latinos, Native Americans, children with special needs, particularly those having autism and are without verbal language. They are children from families that lack money, and knowledge for protecting their children from the harmful conditions that they face daily. The majority of them are left with no legal recourse, nor therapy for recovery—our hard earned tax dollars at work.

Mr. Miller, responsible caring adults will no longer silently stand by and allow for this American “school terrorism” to continue. We are banding together and will hold nonviolent protests on behalf of our American school children who are still waiting for judicial relief. We will hold these protests outside of your California offices and throughout this country until our children have joined the ranks of every other American who has gained their inalienable right as US citizens to the 14th amendment “equal protection” clause, on and off of America school campuses.

It's over.

Sincerely,

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December 9, 2009

Mr. Miller,

The news article published yesterday said that you are planning to protect ALL children from school abuse.

It is still legal to beat school children in 20 US states and its territories.

Why haven't you mentioned this issue and when will you have this practice banned?

Protests are beginning to take place throughout the country over this form of school terrorism.

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December 8, 2009

December 8, 2009 Press release, from: The Hitting Stops Here!, PTAVE and American SAFEPASS

The Hitting Stops Here!, Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education (PTAVE) and American SAFEPASS (Student Alliance For Education in Peaceful American Schools) met with the office of Dept. of Education and Labor Chairman George Miller on November 18, 2009\* for having him end all sanctioned and lawless forms of American school abuse by December 1, 2009. We returned for a follow-up meeting on December 2, 2009 and were informed that he was unresponsive to our request for protecting our school children. We delivered a letter to him at the follow-up meeting stating that we will begin holding nonviolent protests outside of his Concord, CA office and nationwide until our call for him to protect ALL American school children by law was met. Upon leaving his office we held signs up outside of his office facing a busy intersection (Willow Pass Road and Diamond Street). The letter that we left for him and video footage taken that day will be available on our website soon. Presently, nonviolent protests for protecting our American school children are being planned in several states including California, Hawaii, Florida, Mississippi and Wash DC.

On December 9, 2009, 11am EST, Mr. George Miller will hold a press conference at the Education and Labor Committee Hearing Room, 2175 Rayburn House Office Building in Wash DC to announce that bipartisan lawmakers will introduce legislation to protect all children in schools from abuse, however, this announcement about his protecting "...all children in schools from abuse" is only partially true. Mr. Miller has failed to include legislation that will protect all children from corporal punishment, the practice of beating our school children on their buttocks with wooden boards, with the number one targets being black boys, followed by black girls, other minorities and children with disabilities, particularly nonverbal students. With more than 2000 reports every school day, with reporting not being mandatory, and with an unprecedented rapid increase of school beatings by 100,000 in just one year since the election of Pres. Obama in fall 2008, Mr. George Miller is hardly protecting "ALL children in schools from abuse."

Members of The Hitting Stops Here!, PTAVE and American SAFEPASS will hold a nonviolent protest outside of Mr. Miller's office on December 9 during early morning rush-hour traffic. The schedule of nonviolent protests to be held throughout the US will be posted on our website ([www.TheHittingStopsHere.com](http://www.TheHittingStopsHere.com), see link entitled: American School Abuse can *END before 2010!*) Beginning Thursday, Dec. 17 at 4pm we will hold nonviolent protests outside of Mr. Miller's office *daily* including all day on Christmas, if Mr. Miller and the House Education and Labor Committee fail to include ALL American school children from ALL forms of school abuse, including "buttocks beating." We will end our protests when the headline of every American newspaper says: Banned! The Use of Paddling & Harmful Seclusions and Restraints in ALL American Schools!

A Dec. 14, 2009 mtg, facilitated by the office of State Sect. of Ed., Arne Duncan is scheduled between The Hitting Stops Here! and the U.S. Dept. of Ed., Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools. (see website for details after December 15.)

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\*(Full meeting transcript:

[http://www.thehittingstopshere.com/docs/G\\_Miller\\_Ofc\\_Mtg\\_with\\_THSH!\\_PTAVE\\_Nov\\_18\\_2009.pdf](http://www.thehittingstopshere.com/docs/G_Miller_Ofc_Mtg_with_THSH!_PTAVE_Nov_18_2009.pdf))

December 3, 2009

Results of the December 2, 2009 Dept. of Education and Labor meeting with  
The Hitting Stops Here! and Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education

The purpose of this meeting was to find out what Mr. Miller's response was to our call for him to bring all American school abuse to an immediate end.

Mr. Miller's team member informed us that he and his committee were in receipt of the material (link to all of it) that we delivered to his Concord, CA office on Wed. Nov. 18, 2009.

The response that we received from his team member on his behalf was:

"He is busy working on health care."

Please read the Nov. 18 meeting transcript. Two provable facts were delivered by The Hitting Stops Here! and Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education during that meeting:

Federal laws can be written, signed and implemented in just one day.

More than 2000 reports of abuse, some leading to fatalities (GAO report pp 15-17, [www.TheHittingStopsHere.com](http://www.TheHittingStopsHere.com)), occur each day in our American schools. Reporting is not mandatory. According to science, abused children suffer from a variety of maladies, many of which require lifelong mental and health care services.

December 2, 2009

P O Box 731545  
San Jose, CA 95121

December 2, 2009

Dear Chairman George Miller,

This morning I addressed two letters to you. The first contained a message of only eight words. It said, "Thank you for being a man of integrity." That one was to be delivered upon hearing that you responded positively to our request for having sanctioned and lawless American school abuse brought to an immediate end.

I wrote the letter that you are holding in your hands right now in the event that you failed to honor this request which was presented in writing on Nov. 18, 2009 at your Concord, CA office.

The Hitting Stops Here!, Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education and the San Jose City College Associated Student Club, American SAFEPASS (Student Alliance For Education in Peaceful American Schools) regret that you are allowing American school abuse to continue while knowing that children are being brutalized, some to the point of death, by American school teachers every school day in the US and its territories. You are fully aware that there are more than 2000 reports of

abuse submitted daily and that reporting is not mandatory. You know also that this number does not include the use of harmful seclusions and restraints, nor the number of times that teachers grab, kick, shove, pinch, punch, duct tape mouths or who deny the use student restroom needs. You also know that since the election of President Obama in fall 2008, the number of beatings has reportedly increased by 100,000 in just one school year, an increase unprecedented by any other single year in the history of American schools.

Our American school children are precious, even those found at the bottom of the American caste system. These children are the primary targets of American school abuse and they consist of Black American boys and girls, Latinos, Native Americans, children with special needs, particularly those having autism and are without verbal language. They are children from families that lack money, and knowledge for protecting their children from the harmful conditions that they face daily. The majority of them are left with no legal recourse, nor therapy for recovery—our hard earned tax dollars at work.

Mr. Miller, responsible caring adults will no longer silently stand by and allow for this American “school terrorism” to continue. We are banding together and will hold nonviolent protests on behalf of our American school children who are still waiting for judicial relief. We will hold these protests outside of your California offices and throughout this country until our children have joined the ranks of every other American who has gained their inalienable right as US citizens to the 14th amendment “equal protection” clause, on and off of America school campuses.

It’s over.

Sincerely,

Paula Flowe, Exec. Director

Tony Brian, Asst. Exec. Director

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408.223.7797

November 18, 2009

Dear Chairman George Miller,

As Executive Director of The Hitting Stops Here! and board member of Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education (PTAVE), I request that you bring your immediate attention to the material contained in the packet that I am leaving in your hands on this day. It contains information and evidence of the harm caused to a human being when mistreated in any way during their developing years.

I have included information on how mistreatment of children negatively affects their:

mental and emotional condition

self-esteem

digestive system

desire to learn

relationship with authority figures

relationship with their peers

ability to make contributions in their communities

and a host of other social-ills that children and society at large experience when children are targets of violence in ANY form.

I request that you consider, with Godspeed, bringing this dark day of American history to a close for our American school children.

Presently, our government is failing to extend the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment "equal protection" law to ALL American school children, a US citizen Constitutional right. To continue to do so having full knowledge of the widespread and numerous cases of US school abuse and fatalities occurring in our schools on a daily basis would display our US Government as being reckless and cruel to its children.

We believe that we have a better "America" than that. We believe that our government officials will respond with the level of integrity and care that our children believe in and to which they pledge their allegiance daily from our American classrooms.

The Hitting Stops Here! Parents and Teachers Against Violence in Education and other children's rights advocates are calling on you, as Chairman of the Dept. of Education and Labor, to bring all forms of sanctioned and lawless methods of discipline that have been proven with an overabundance of evidence by science to be harmful to an end by December 1, 2009.

We request a follow-up meeting with you on Wednesday, December 2, 2009.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Paula Flowe, Exec. Director

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We will begin holding nonviolent protests outside of Mr. Miller's 1333 Willow Pass Road California office beginning December 17, 2009 at 4pm on the corner of Diamond Street and Willow Pass Road in front of Denny's Restaurant. We will have extra signs or bring your own.

**Click Here** to view and download our protest signs.

**Schedule of Nonviolent Protests**

**December 2009 outside of**

**Dept. of Education and Labor**

**Chairman George Miller's Concord, CA office**

**Contact information: [info@thehittingstopshere.com](mailto:info@thehittingstopshere.com)**

**Paula Flowe, Executive Director, The Hitting Stops Here!, 408.509.6835**

**Wed, Dec 23**

7:30am-9am, corner of Willow Pass Road and Diamond Blvd, Concord, CA

11am-1pm, Martin Luther King Jr. Library, 150 East San Fernando Street, San Jose, CA

**Fri, Dec 25**

10:00am-5pm, corner of Willow Pass Road and Diamond Blvd. Concord, CA

**Mon, Dec 28**

7:30am-9am, corner of Willow Pass Road and Diamond Blvd, Concord, CA

11am-1pm, Martin Luther King Jr. Library, 150 East San Fernando Street, San Jose, CA

**Wed, Dec 30**

7:30am-9am, corner of Willow Pass Road and Diamond Blvd, Concord, CA

11am-1pm, Martin Luther King Jr. Library, 150 East San Fernando Street, San Jose, CA

**Thurs, Dec 31**

7:30am-9am, corner of Willow Pass Road and Diamond Blvd, Concord, CA

11am-1pm, Martin Luther King Jr. Library, 150 East San Fernando Street, San Jose, CA

Please support our American school children by holding nonviolent protests in your community. Contact us so that we may add your state to our list of locations:

**[info@thehittingstopshere.com](mailto:info@thehittingstopshere.com)**.



Follow us on "[Twitter](#)" for updates.

Plans are being made for holding nonviolent protests by children's rights advocates in the following states:

California  
Mississippi  
Hawaii  
Florida  
Washington DC  
New York  
Washington  
Texas  
North Carolina