



June 12, 2008

The Honorable Mark Udall
240 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Udall:

The Prevent Cancer Foundation (formerly the Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation) thanks you for your leadership in ensuring children and communities lead an active lifestyle to support their health and wellness.

Specifically, the Foundation is writing in support of H.R. 2045, the PLAY Every Day Act encouraging communities to facilitate active lifestyles amongst the children living there. The prevalence of obesity in the United States has been growing at an alarming rate, especially for children, and it is important to attempt solutions for this problem from every angle, and we think this approach has opportunity for success.

Combating and preventing obesity early in life ensures children are at a reduced risk for serious adulthood diseases including cancer. In fact, obesity has been linked to incidences of two of the deadliest cancers in the United States, breast and colorectal cancer. The Foundation is dedicated to reducing Americans' risk for these diseases, and maintaining a healthy weight is an important building block in cancer prevention.

We look forward to working with you towards passage of this legislation, and again, thank you for your leadership on this and other issues in cancer prevention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Hughes". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lisa Hughes
Senior Director, Policy and Advocacy

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