October 13, 1975

Dear Congressman Moakley;

I am writing to you at this time in regard to Forced Busing. This is an issue which is uppermost in the minds of many people in the city of Boston. And I don't think I would be exaggerating if I said it was on the minds of a great many people throughout this country.

There are many people who are not directly involved, such as my family, but feel that it is wrong.

This is not a black and white issue. It is an issue that involves the rights of all parents. The right of a parent to send their children to a neighborhood school, or a school of their choice, is one that never should be questioned, or denied.

In my opinion, the Forced Busing that is going on in Boston is not helping the children, the parents, the city, the state, or even the country.

Some parents have left the city because of it. Many have put their children in private schools, even though it has been a great sacrifice for them to do so.

Hoping you will take this very important matter into consideration, and help the parents of Boston to regain their rights, I am

Sincerely,

Helen Lydon Jurasek
(Mrs Stephen Jurasek)
October 21, 1975

Mrs. Helen L. Jurasek
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Dear Mrs. Jurasek:

Thank you for your recent letter in opposition to forced busing.

As you know, I have always opposed busing as a means to achieve quality education. I have consistently voted against busing in the House of Representatives.

At this time I am working very hard with Senator John Tower and other concerned colleagues to get a constitutional amendment to stop forced busing passed by the Congress.

I am hopeful that we will be able to get the votes necessary to enact such an amendment.

Thanks again for taking the time to express your thoughts to me. Please feel free to contact me again if ever I can be of service.

Sincerely,

JOHN JOSEPH MOAKLEY
Member of Congress