Dear State President,

The National Organization of Parents of Blind Children (NOPBC), a proud division of NFB, is seeking recommendations for our next Parent Leadership Program--PLP--to be held at the 2020 NFB Washington Seminar.

Since 2006, the PLP has been empowering parents with the critical leadership and advocacy skills to build a strong state division of the NOPBC, to help build the Federation in your state, and to help spread Federation philosophy to families across the nation. We provide special workshops and training sessions, mentoring, phone conferences, and opportunities to meet key Federation leaders and see the Federation in action. Our main events take place at the NFB national convention and the Washington Seminar.

We are in search of parents with the commitment and leadership potential to found or strengthen a parents division in your state. If you have such a parent, please send the name and contact information to carol\_castellano@verizon.net and we will send an invitation to become a part of the PLP. Parents from your state who participated in PLP at the National Convention will also be sent invitations.

The PLP has been an effective program for building the Federation and spreading Federation philosophy. We hope that your affiliate or state POBC can assist in getting the parent to DC. The NOPBC may be able to provide some financial support. If you are not sending a parent but you would like to support the program, we would be most appreciative of your assistance.

Please note: PLP workshops will begin in Baltimore at the National Center on the morning of Sunday, February 9 and continue through the morning of Monday, February 10, so PLP participants need to arrive in Baltimore on Saturday, February 8, earlier than most Seminar participants.

We look forward to hearing about potential leaders from your state. We will keep you informed as to who accepts the PLP invitation. Thanks so much for your assistance in identifying leaders!

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