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Dear Friends of Parents Against Depression,

Thank you for your incredible work educating and promoting awareness of the devastating impact depression can cause in people's lives. It is admirable that your organization focuses on educating teens of the science behind depression and ways to manage and cope with mental illness.

The Center of Disease Control reports that suicide is the second leading cause of death among youth between the ages of 10-24 in the United States. This tragic statistic makes the work you do ever more important. By raising awareness and advocating for policy changes relating to depression, Parents Against Depression is playing a leading role in bringing mental illness to the forefront of the National Conscience.

Working with local businesses, civic leaders and elected officials, Parents Against Depression, is a valuable voice in promoting social change by stripping away the stigma of mental illness. Thank you for your vision, energy, and dedication to combatting depression among our youth and young adults. It is a fight that we must win!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' followed by a horizontal line that curves upwards at the end.

John K. Delaney  
Member of Congress