## Template Letter to Express Support for Rate Increase

## EMAIL TEMPLATE

Dear [Title and Name of Decision-maker],
Thank you for reading this message.
I am [identify yourself] and I have been working for the [identify your state or jurisdiction] courts as a [certification status] interpreter in the [language you interpret] language for the past [] years.
I am writing to express my support for a rate increase for [your state or jurisdiction's] court interpreters.
It is getting more and more difficult to stretch my income. I have had to take on the following work to complement my court earnings: [describe additional paid work you do, whether it's in another field or as an interpreter in other states, jurisdictions, or fields]
If [your state/jurisdiction] continues to pay the current rates, I may pursue the following opportunities, which could reduce my availability for court hearings: [describe work opportunities you're considering or actively searching for]
With a competitive pay rate adjusted for inflation, I will be able to prioritize my service to the [your state/jurisdiction] courts as an interpreter, thus ensuring judicial expediency and access to justice Thank you for your consideration.
Sincerely,
[Your name]