*Dear Employer,*

*Due to the childcare crisis nationwide, I am requesting a day off for Monday May 9th, 2022 because my childcare provider will be closed. Today I was extended a courtesy notice explaining that local childcare businesses, including my provider, will be participating in a  Day Without ChildCare. Without proper care arrangements, I will have no choice but to be home with my child(ren) until they reopen. On this day, I will be pledging to support their cause by calling my elected officials in Congress who have the power to make a transformational investment that could stabilize childcare. In addition, I would  like to speak with someone in HR to discuss an employer-based childcare solution or how to add a child care benefit program to help cover the true cost of childcare because this issue affects all of us. I cannot afford even one day  without childcare and need to get back to work to provide for my family.*

*We hope we can count on this employer to join us in solidarity as we come together as a community to raise awareness about the childcare crisis. Our family will be joining child care providers and parents across the country in advocating for public investments in our American childcare system to address:*

*1) Living wages for child care providers*

*2) An equitable childcare system built on racial justice*

*3) Affordable childcare for all*

*I look forward to hearing back from you about my requests sometime this week.*

*In Solidarity & Action,*

*First Last Name*

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