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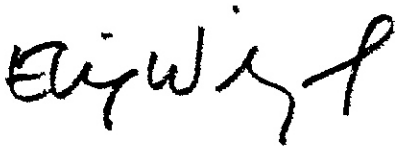
Dear Mr. Goldstein,

This letter is written in support of the Anti-Defamation League's efforts to have the leadership and members of the New Jersey Assembly eliminate the position of Poet Laureate in New Jersey.

The present Laureate, Amiri Bakara, is unworthy of this honor. He is an embarrassment to your State by spreading in his public statements poisonous slander of the Jewish people, its history and aspirations.

I urge all members of the New Jersey Assembly to support A3313 and hope the Governor will sign it into law as soon as it is approved by the Assembly.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elie Wiesel', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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