**Sample Advocacy Letter to Members of Congress**

Dear Senator/Representative\_\_\_\_(Representative’s Name)\_\_\_,

I write in support of the Shia Rights Resolution.,

 The passage of this legislation is important because it:

1. Is the first piece of legislation to solely speak about the protection of Shia Muslims, who face immense violence because of their religious beliefs.

2. Recognizes the importance of the protection of the rights of Shia as a tool to counter violent extremism.

I urge you to introduce this legislation and I thank you for your continued support of religious freedom.

Sincerely,

(Your Name, Title)

**Remember:**

* Please make sure to legibly include your name, home and/or company address, and telephone numbers in your letter.
* Be courteous, to the point, and include key information, using examples to support your position
* Address only one issue in each letter; and, if possible, keep the letter to one page.
* In your message to your representative, be sure to include the text of the resolution.
* The text of the resolution can be found at [www.shiarightswatch.com](http://www.shiarightswatch.com)