Draft email from Family Child Care Task Force to ask former licensed child care providers to take the survey:

Dear former licensed family child care provider,

The 2019 Legislature established the <u>Family Child Care Task Force</u> to discuss and make recommendations related to family child care licensing and the Parent Aware program. The task force includes family child care providers, parents, legislators, DHS, and appointees from various child care-related organizations. One of the duties we have been assigned is identifying why family child care providers are closing their licenses and what can be done to retain them in the field.

As such, we are asking you and other formally licensed providers who closed their licenses in the last three years to fill out a brief survey so that we can understand your experience and why you left. You have valuable input that will be used to help other family child care providers, so please be candid in your responses.

The survey will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete. The survey is anonymous and the information will only be shared in summary form. Any comments that you include that could identify you will not be made public. The deadline for providing your answers is ____.

The survey can be accessed at this link. Please note that this link can only be used once.

Hearing from you will help members of the Family Child Care Task Force determine what steps to take to help retain family child care providers in our state.

Thank you for your time and valuable input,

The Family Child Care Task Force