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To whom it may concern

I would like to put on record my full support for those who are seeking a strong and effective law in the region of Friuli-Venezia Giulia which would ensure the introduction of the Friulan language into the education system at all levels, in the mass media, especially radio and television, and also in public administration.

Such provision would be in keeping with many international legal and political instruments, especially the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages, the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, numerous resolutions adopted by the European Parliament, the OSCE High Commissioner's Oslo Recommendations concerning the Linguistic Rights of National Minorities as well as best practice in many other states and regions.

Sincerely,

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