Runaway Letter

(this is a sample letter parents may write in the event a child has run away from home)

[Date]

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is a formal notice that anyone who is giving refuge to our son/daughter, ____[Child's Name]_____, is doing so against our wishes. This minor has chosen to stay away from home without their parents' permission since ____[Date]____. ___[Child's Name]___ has been reported as a runaway to the _____ County Sheriff's Department/Police Department.

____[Child's Name]_____ does not have our permission to be away from home and anyone who feels they should interfere by intervening between our parent/child guidance and authority is wrong. In fact, the family or families who choose to conspire with our son/daughter in their blatant, disrespectful behavior towards their family will, along with our son/daughter, pay the consequences. You are intentionally contributing to the delinquency of a minor. This is a civil and criminal offense and unless this action ceases immediately, our attorney will be notified to take legal action against you. A copy of this letter has been sent to the _____ County Sheriff's Department/Police Department along with all the names of families we have reason to believe are guilty of the above described offense or may be asked in the future to give refuge to our son/daughter.

Sincerely,

Mr. & Mrs. _____

_____
(Address)

_____
(City, State Zip)

cc: County Sheriff's Department/Police Department
[Attorney Name]