[Your Name]
[Your Address]
[City, State, Zip Code]
[Email Address]
[Phone Number]
[Date]
[Manager's Name]
[Company Name]
[Company Address]
[City, State, Zip Code]
Dear [Manager's Name],

I am writing to formally request maternity leave starting on [start date] and ending on [end date]. As per our company policy, I plan to take [number of weeks/months] off to prepare for and recover from the birth of my child.

I will ensure that all my current projects are up to date before my leave and will provide a comprehensive handover to [Colleague's Name] to cover my responsibilities in my absence. I can be reached at [your email/phone number] should you need to contact me during my leave for any reason. Thank you for your understanding and support during this important time for my family. I look forward to your approval.

Sincerely,
[Your Name]
[Your Job Title]