Dear Chairman and Committee:

My name is Flo LaRoy and I am one of many parents struggling with the challenging behaviors of a family member. Although my son has made great strides, the lack of early behavioral intervention has had a lasting impact on his future. His lack of employment success and independence are directly linked to behavioral issues that are simply not tolerated by our society.

It is critical that challenging behaviors are addressed as soon as they arise and that families are given the tools to help their children succeed in life. Positive Behavior Support teaches families the information and strategies they will use for a lifetime, especially if they are caring for someone with a disability.

Positive Behavior Supports also helps to understand typically developing children, adults with challenging behaviors and changes attitudes toward behavior. Please help ensure a better future for our children.

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Thank you!

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