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NH Senate Finance Committee
New Hampshire State House, Room 103
107 N. Main Street
Concord, NH 03301

**RE: Please *FULLY FUND THE GOVERNOR’S BUDGET for FY2026-2027* and *FUND THE BDS PRIORITIZED NEEDS LIST.***

Dear Chairman Gray and Members of the NH Senate Finance Committee;

**Opening:** My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and I live in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, NH with my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I urge you to fully fund Governor Ayotte’s proposed state budget for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 and fund the Bureau of Developmental Services (BDS) prioritized needs list. This includes eliminating both the 3% Medicaid rates cut and the $62.8 million defunding of the developmental disabilities waitlists as proposed in the NH House budget. Furthermore, the $10m prioritized needs request from BDS for room and board support will help stabilize residential housing for people with developmental disabilities and acquired brain disorders.

I would also like to request support for specific funding [*Family Centered Early Supports and Services, Recreational Funding]*. [*I, My family member, My friend*] would be negatively affected without funding these services.

**Your Story: Here’s where you tell your story in two or three paragraphs. How have these services benefited [you, your family, your friend]? How would losing these services negatively affect [you, your family, your friend]?**

**Closing**: Thank you, Chairman Gray and members of the NH Senate Finance Committee, for this opportunity to testify in support of fully funding Governor Ayotte’s proposed state budget for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 and the BDS prioritized needs list. I would like to state again special consideration for funding [*Family Centered Early Supports and Services, Recreational Funding*]. If you have any questions or require more information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Name

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