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Dear Congressional Representatives:

I want to personally thank you all for taking the time to meet with me, our Chapters and people we support during the recent Disability Policy Seminar Conference. We are grateful for your time and your attention to our concerns about the future of Medicaid and the impact it has on our supports and services.

We felt reassured by your statements during our meetings that you are all committed to preserving Medicaid funding for people who depend on it, such organizations that provide vital programming for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

I also want to especially commend Reps. Lawler, Malliotakis, LaLota, and Garbarino for their recent April 14, 2025, letter to Speaker Johnson (attached) committing to preserving Medicaid funding. It is the moral, just and appropriate position to take, and I encourage the other Representatives on this letter to join in this public position.

As you are aware, Medicaid provides nearly all the funding for our vital services. We remain concerned about potential cuts and the impact they would have on the people we support and employ in each of your districts. Attached to this correspondence is additional information explaining the importance of Medicaid to New Yorkers with disabilities and their families. It is our lifeline, our foundation, and so many would be devastated by any cuts in any fashion they make take.

We look forward to continued discussions about Medicaid and appreciate your continued support to Medicaid funding and our entire field.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erik Geizer", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Erik Geizer
CEO

Cc: Representative Elise Stefanik