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As a citizen of the State of Georgia, I am writing to you to express my concern about the proposed changes to funding for services for individuals with disabilities. I am concerned that these changes would result in lower-quality, lower access to care for residents of our state who needs supports in order to live full and meaningful lives.

Throughout our State, there are hundreds of organizations and thousands of employees who work each day to support individuals with disabilities. Under the current system, it is difficult for these organizations to continue operating and many of these employees make a less-than living wage. We should provide more for Georgians with disabilities and their families.

Funding for individuals with disabilities is critical for a society that places value on human life. Without the necessary supports to be successful in the community, many of these individuals will need more costly institutional care. Because the parents of many of these individuals are elderly, there is no one who can provide the kind of services they need.

Please put a stop to the proposed rate changes. We should all work to improve the lives of those with disabilities.

Signed:

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