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Nevada County Board of Supervisors
950 Maidu Avenue
Nevada City, CA 95959

March 13, 2019

Dear Honorable Board Members,

I am the Executive Director of Child Advocates of Nevada County (CANC) and a board member of the Community Support Network-Child Abuse Prevention Council of Western Nevada County. Child Advocates has been serving local children and families in Nevada County for the last 25 years. CANC runs the Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program to advocate for all children who are removed from their homes due to severe abuse or neglect. Additionally, we run the Foothills Truckee Healthy Babies Home Visiting program, a child abuse prevention program that provides weekly home visits from well-trained staff for families at risk of abuse or neglect. I have lived and worked in Nevada County for the last 20 years.

April is National Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention month. In honor of this occasion, I will share with the Board a presentation about the landmark Adverse Childhood Experiences Study (ACES) and the way the study's findings impact our community. This presentation will be made on behalf of the Community Support Network and the Child Abuse Prevention Council at the Board meeting on April 9, 2019.

I look forward to sharing the important and compelling ACEs study with the Board of Supervisors so that our community can engage more fully in understanding and addressing the powerful impact of childhood trauma.

Sincerely,

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