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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Anna Thorburn and I live in Woodstock, Vermont. Our family has adopted five (5) and Easter Seals Post Permanency has been our main support for many years in this journey. I am writing to ask you to increase base funding for Post Permanency Service Program (PPSP) by \$300,000.

Our children all have either abuse/trauma histories or/and developmental disabilities. Easter Seals PPSP has stood by us during difficult trials with our children and provided support and resources even on an emergency basis. There is no other organization filling this need.

Please increase base funding to Post Permanency Service Program by \$300,000. Investing in families' success saves the state money as it creates better outcomes and fewer children re-enter the system. Two of our children came to us after failed adoptions where the families did not have such support.

Sincerely,

Anna A Thorburn