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To: House Committee on Appropriations  
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I am Claire Georges, both the owner of Butterfly Bakery of Vermont in Montpelier and a mother of two. I was following the family and medical leave bill last year and was happy to see it pass the House during the last legislative session with such strong support. A family leave program would do so much to support working Vermonters across the state. I am anxious to see it move through the Senate this year.

I am aware that there may be some startup costs associated with the program - and that the program may require an initial appropriation. I am here to encourage the committee to ensure any appropriation necessary for this bill is included in the budget. This bill will do great things for Vermont and I hope you will do whatever it takes to make sure it moves forward.

Thank you,

-Claire Georges  
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