Hello,

I live in Lowell, VT and am writing to express my support for the planning grant to help create stable, service-supported housing options for adults with developmental disabilities. I worked as a Speech-Language Pathologist with young students for many years in Vermont. Even when their children with disabilities were small, families always felt the pressure of "what happens after the school years?how will I be able to support my child in adulthood?"

I support \$10.82 million for the implementation of the pilot planning grant housing begun by Act 186, and support developing a pipeline for funding the annual development of stable, service-supported housing for adults with developmental disabilities.

This is a great opportunity to do the right thing and support individuals with disabilities to be as independent and successful as possible.

Thank you for listening, Jennifer Higgins, Lowell VT