

Name: Addison Williams

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Dear representatives –

My name is Addison Williams. I am writing to you from Burlington as a member of the Hunger Free Vermont Board of Directors and a concerned citizen. I am encouraging you to please appropriate \$182,000 in FY2027 as an incentive to CACFP Sponsor Organizations to maximize federal funding available for food in Family Child Care Homes.

Children are the core of our community; addressing their needs as well as their providers' needs, is exactly what keeps the Vermont community tight knit. When one pillar of our state isn't solid, the entirety of the state structure is in jeopardy. The CACFP is the most equitable way for all children in educational settings to access developmentally appropriate nutrition so that they are truly ready to learn alongside their peers.

To reiterate, I am encouraging you to please appropriate \$182,000 in FY2027 as an incentive to CACFP Sponsor Organizations to maximize federal funding available for food in Family Child Care Homes.

Thank you to the committee for considering this request.

Best regards,

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