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My name is Marlee and I am 11 years old. Thank you for allowing me to be here today to share my thoughts.

Flavored vapes helped my parents quit smoking. I remember when my mom and dad would smoke cigarettes and how bad their breath, clothes, and hands would smell. They always smelled like an astray. I was very scared that they would not stop and would die. My Dad use to cough in the morning and would always say this is why you should never start smoking.

I didn't know what they were doing at first, but I did not see them smoking cigarettes anymore. They started to stink less. My mom doesn't smoke or vape anymore. My Dad still vapes, but he does not cough in the morning anymore.

My mom always tells my brother and me to be healthy and to good at sports. She also said that I should never smoke or vape, and I won't! Vapes are for adults who want to stop smoking and not for kids. I believed my Mom and Dad when they say vaping saved their lives and was the only thing to help them quit smoking.

I think a lot more adults can stop smoking cigarettes with the help of different flavored vapes because they don't smell as bad and their breath smells better. Like my Mom and Dad, other parents should teach their kids to not smoke or vape.

I was determined to write this testimony by myself so you can here a kid's point of view that has a parent who vapes. Please do not take the only thing away from my Mom and Dad that helped them to quit smoking.