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**In Support of HB726 / SB 231: Maryland Medical Assistance - Autism Waiver Program – Military Families**

Members of the Maryland House of Delegate’s Health and Govt Ops Committee Members.

We are an organization of military and non-military families with over 1500 members and fully support ending the wait for Autism Waiver Services and Supports for military families.

Together we advocate for all of our children and other individuals with disabilities that require time, resources and support to help them in getting them the services and supports that they need in order to reach their full potential. Our military families of children with disabilities especially need the support that this program provides to families as their geographic location can change at any time. But they should hold their place in line.

We fully support MSDE’s support of military families and the funding of the Autism waiver program, improving application processing and services delivery to families. While hopefully also ending the very long wait that many of our families experience. Please let’s put taxpayer dollars to some positive use for the futures and improved outcomes for all children with disabilities like Autism.

Please support HB 726 / SB 231. Thank you for your time, and for considering our testimony today.

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