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Dear Chair Wiklund,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to you and the Health & Human Services Committee for including SF 2464 - which will establish a Foster Children Benefits Trust - in the committee's omnibus bill.

Fosters across the state are impacted by this current harmful practice of social security benefits being used to pay for their care. This inclusion will allow Minnesota to right this wrong, and give back what is owed to Fosters. Additionally, it will make the State of Minnesota compliant with federal law.

Thank you again for your commitment to Fosters. If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact me at any time.

Sincerely,



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