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Vicki Fenton
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Dear Ms. Fenton:

I am pleased to express my support for the Eve Fenton Love-All Foundation. The Eve Fenton Love-All Foundation will provide comprehensive enrichment services to the special needs of disabled children from low-income families.

These services are essential to improving the well-being of families with disabled children who are struggling to find quality, affordable care and education for their children. These programs will also offer a creative and innovative framework of educational services for children with disabilities.

Additionally, I am aware of the devastating Medicaid cuts proposed by Governor Pataki which would shift disabled children to Child Health Plus, thereby limiting the comprehensive programming that they receive. Last month, I stood with other Senate Democrats in opposition to this shift unless the state would apply for a federal waiver to ensure that these children continue to receive the health services that they are currently receiving under Medicaid. I will continue to fight for the protection and expansion of services for disabled children and their families.

I look forward to working with you to ensure the successful development of services to disabled children. I wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

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