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Appropriations Committee Testimony
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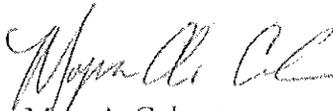
To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of keeping the STRIVE-New Haven program in the Department of Labor Budget. The STRIVE program has been an important in the community. As a STRIVE graduate myself, I have learned so much from the staff. I came in thinking I had it all together until I completed the workshop.

It is my hope and prayer that you decide not to discontinue such a valuable asset as the STRIVE program. Everyone who has attended and/or graduated from this program has benefited.

In conclusion, I am asking that you reconsider pulling out and not funding the STRIVE program for the sake of all who need a program such as this.

Sincerely,



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