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Appropriations Committee Testimony
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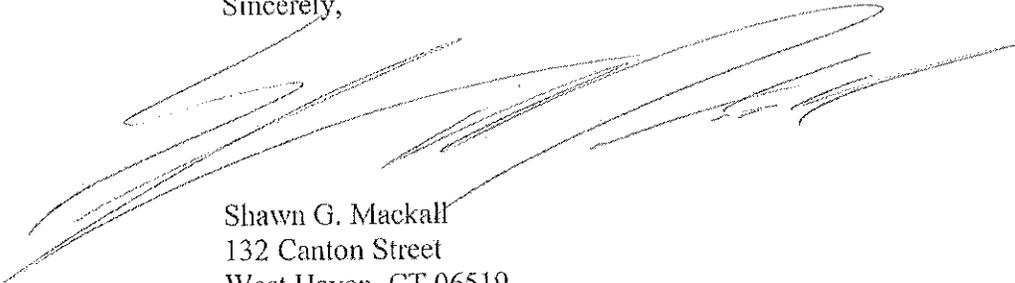
To whom this may concern;

I am writing in support of the STRIVE-New Haven, Inc. program in the Department of Labor Budget. The STRIVE program has been a foundation for structure in the community. As a STRIVE graduate, I can tell you first hand that this program is a keeper none the less the numbers over the twelve years and statewide speaks for its self.

It is to my heart and prayer that you decide not to discontinue such a valuable asset to the community. Everyone that has attended and/or graduated from this program has inherited an abundance of knowledge.

In closing, I am asking to look inside your hearts and ask yourself..." will taking this program away help benefit our society"... Thank you for your time in reading this letter.

Sincerely,



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