Maria Bertrand Severi testimony in support of SB 46

Honorable Members of the Committee on Children,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB-46, An Act Concerning Pesticides on School Grounds. Connecticut's robust pesticide protections for kids up to grade 8 should be extended to include high school students.

I am very concerned about Connecticut's children being exposed to toxic lawn pesticides and am very pleased that Connecticut now has a law banning the use of toxic lawn pesticides at day care centers and school grounds with children through grade 8. But why are our young people not protected in other places like high schools, parks, playgrounds, municipal sports fields and town greens where they are involuntarily exposed to toxic chemicals that cause harm?

Please support legislation to protect Connecticut's children wherever they may be exposed to toxic lawn pesticides.

Sincerely,

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