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House Bill 6681
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I am writing on behalf of my daughter Nicole, a beautiful and social 23-year old young lady – to respectfully request your support for **House Bill 6681- An Act Concerning Residential Communities for Young Adults with Developmental Disabilities**.

I am extremely grateful to State Rep. Terrie Wood for sponsoring HB6681 and for her compassion toward those less able, without a voice and to the Public Health Committee members for pursuing this legislation that will help to lay the groundwork for Green Hills Farm & Community (GHF&C) an innovation, self-sustaining community for adults with developmental disabilities.

I am the mother to Nicole, co-founder of Green Hills Farm & Community, business women and engaged mother who realized an unmet demand for people like my daughter when they age out of the school system and enter into the next 60 years of their lives.

The purpose of **HB6681** is to encourage the State of Connecticut to be a cheerleader for this pilot project by providing a parcel of land in Fairfield county for purposes of locating the farm. The project already has a strong team in place, a proven business model and local support we are now seeking the support from Hartford as well. Please join us in making CT a state that “thinks outside of the box” in order to take care of all their people including those without a voice.

I look forward to working with Commissioner Morna Murray on this proposal and would like to thank you very much for your support of **House Bill 6681**.

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