



October 20, 2022

Interim Finance Committee
State of Nevada

Dear Interim Finance Committee:

I am submitting this letter in support of American Recovery Pandemic Act (ARPA) funds to be used to create an Early Intervention (EI) professional development center in Nevada. As the executive director for Special Olympics Nevada (SONV) I often hear parents complaints about having to wait a year or longer to connect to specialist for services needed for their child with special needs. Creating a center like this in our state, will help expedite the professional development that specialist in this area need. Over time, this will also allow families of children with disabilities to receive more timely services that may reduce the need for more intensive measures as they grow older.

If you have any questions or need additional information to support this request, please don't hesitate to reach out to me, [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

Thank you for the great work you are doing to make sustainable investments in our state.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Terrence Thornton".

Terrence Thornton
Executive Director