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I work with young children who are deaf and hard of hearing and their families as a Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. I have seen first hand , the hardship and stress the parents endure when they are faced with spending thousands of dollars on hearing technology for their child so that they are able to access spoken language so that they can communicate with their families. Some families struggle with shelter and food and adding this additional burden is just not fair. Hearing Technology should be an option for all families regardless of their income.