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On Behalf Of: CP3
Committee: Senate Committee On Human Services
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB33

Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services,
I am submitting my written testimony in support of passage of SB 33 to provide State funding for CP3. I have had the privilege of serving on the Board of CP3 since its inception 5 years ago. Over this five year period we have witnessed the successful results of our efforts, in partnership with ODHS and community non-profit organizations in Marion and Counties to improve the lives of children and families in the child welfare system. We want to continue with our success and expand this unique partnership to other regions of the State, but we can only do so if we have funding from the State. Our request is relatively modest but it will make a huge difference in paving the way for children in foster care to be able return to a safe and stable home environment.

We now have a proven model of public and private partnerships that are working together to improve the lives of children and families in Marion and Douglas Counties. I urge your support of SB 33 so that we can continue our work in partnership with ODHS and community partners to make a meaningful difference for so many who are in the child welfare system.

Thank you.

Eric Lindauer