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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

Senate Committee On Human Services

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

SB228

To the attention of Chair Gelser Blouin, Vice Chair Linthicum and Committee Members :

I am writing in support of SB 228 to establish the right to form family councils in residential care facilities. As the son of a now deceased resident in such a facility I personally witnessed the inability of my mother, and all other residents to advocate for themselves. In so many cases these residents are cognitively challenged and sick and have no ability to navigate their way through the many layers of rules and regulations to voice their needs. A family council would be a crucial, and humane step toward giving voice to these people who in fact are in great need.

Thank you,  
Eli Nelson