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RE: Letter of Support for the CARE Act

DT: 12/2/2021

Dear Senator Warren and Chairwoman Carolyn Maloney,

I am writing to thank you for your efforts to increase federal funding to fight against the ongoing drug epidemic. At the local level we can see the effects of drug addiction through homelessness, crime, disruption to families, and so much more.

Here in Attleboro, we are a Gateway City. Our median household income is below the state median and our educational achievement for people 24 and over with a bachelor's degree is below the state average. As you know, there is a correlation between these variables and increased drug abuse and addiction.

This money will help individuals and their families get out of the talons that addiction grabs people with, get back on their feet, and get their lives back in order. We know this legislation and funding will make a difference in the lives of millions of people.

On behalf of the nearly 48,000 people in Attleboro, I thank you for your hard work, thoughtfulness and advocacy for real needs in the CARE Act.

Paul Heroux

Mayor