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Subject: Request for Support from ADAPT in Addressing Disability Rights
Challenges in Connecticut

Dear ADAPT,

I am writing to you as the founder of ABI Resources and as an individual living with a disability, reaching out to an organization renowned for its impactful direct-action tactics and unwavering commitment to disability rights. Our organization, based in Connecticut, is dedicated to supporting the independence and rights of individuals with disabilities, aligning closely with ADAPT's focus on personal assistance services, community-based living, and anti-discrimination.

In Connecticut, we face significant systemic challenges that are severely impacting the lives and rights of individuals with disabilities. These challenges are complex, encompassing issues related to access to personal assistance services, barriers to community-based living, and widespread discrimination. These issues not only violate the rights of individuals with disabilities but also hinder their full participation in community life.

Given ADAPT's history of effective advocacy and direct action in promoting the rights of people with disabilities, your involvement could be crucial in our fight for systemic change in Connecticut. We are in need of strong voices and action-oriented strategies to challenge the status quo and advocate for the rights and dignity of our community.

Enclosed with this letter is a detailed report outlining the specific issues we are facing, including:

- Lack of adequate and accessible personal assistance services for individuals with disabilities.
- Barriers to community-based living, preventing individuals with disabilities from leading independent and fulfilling lives.
- Instances of discrimination and inequality that impede the full participation of people with disabilities in society.

Your expertise and approach in advocating for disability rights are exactly what is needed to bring these issues to the forefront and drive meaningful change. We believe that collaboration with ADAPT could significantly amplify our efforts and lead to impactful results.

We are prepared to engage in any actions or campaigns that ADAPT deems necessary and are ready to provide any additional information, resources, or support needed. Your experience in organizing direct-action initiatives will be invaluable in our collective efforts to challenge these systemic issues and advocate for the rights and independence of individuals with disabilities in Connecticut.

We understand the commitment and resources such endeavors require. However, given the urgency and impact of these issues, we are hopeful for your engagement and the opportunity to work alongside ADAPT in this critical fight.

Thank you for considering our request. We look forward to the possibility of collaborating with ADAPT to make a transformative impact in the lives of those affected by these challenges in Connecticut.

Best regards,
David Medeiros
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ABI Resources, CEO, Director, Team Member

