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Dear Representative,

I am once again writing you to again urge you to consider why it is vitally important for you to expand and include Mental Health Parity for all.

I have included a written history of Mental Health Parity, work that has been going on for far too long, over the last 17 years.

Please know that today is your day to make a choice that will have a positive impact on all of those with mental health challenges and brain disorders in our state. Please do not choose to leave any children, families or seniors behind.

Sincerely,

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Past Parity Bills (Principle sponsors bolded)—**A History of the Mental Health Parity effort in Michigan**

1995--HBs 4911 – 4913 (Partial parity, covering 9 serious mental illnesses, including "pervasive mental disorder or autism")

Liz Brater, Clark Harder, Laura Baird, Lynne Martinez, David Gubow, Gregory Pitoniak, Deborah Cherry, Karen Willard, Eileen DeHart, Martha Scott, Robert DeMars, Paul Baade, Michael Prusi, Mary Lou Parks, Thomas Kelly, Michael Hanley, Hubert Price Jr., Alma Stallworth, Nick Ciaramitaro, Bob Emerson

1998--HBs 5847 -5850 (Non-mandated comprehensive parity model)

Charles Perricone, Liz Brater, David Anthony, Samuel Thomas, III, Lynne Martinez, Eileen DeHart, Mary Schroer, Sharon Gire, Bev Hammerstrom, James McNutt, Nick Ciaramitaro, David Gubow, Beverly Bodem, Derrick Hale, Larry DeVuyst, Mark Schauer, Kirk Profit, Shirley Johnson, Ed Vaughn, Terry London, Mary Lou Parks, James Agee, Martha Scott, Michael Prusi, Pan Godchaux, Harold Voorhees, Mike Green, Edward LaForge and A. Raczkowski

2001--HBs 5123 and 5128

Susan Tabor, Chris Kolb, Andy Neumann, Douglas Bovin, Gary Woronchak, Barb Vander Veen, Julia Dennis, Rich Brown, Joanne Voorhees, Mark Schauer, Dale Sheltrown, Gilda Jacobs, Randy Richardville, Virg Bernero, Bill McConico, Jack Minore, Samuel Buzz Thomas III, Stephen Adamini, Alexander Lipsey, Paul Gieleghem, John Hansen, Michael Murphy, JoAnne Voorhees, Carl Williams, Rose Bogardus, Steve Pestka, Belda Garza, LaMar Lemmons

2001--SBs 101 and 102 - **Beverly Hammerstrom**

2003--HBs 4888 and 4889

Fran Amos, Chris Kolb, Andy Meisner, Alexander Lipsey, Jack Minore, Steve Tobocman, Rich Brown, Stephen Adamini, Matthew Gillard, Paula Zelenko, Carl Williams, Ruth Ann Jamnick, Julie Dennis, Susan Tabor, Chris Ward, Dave Woodward, Daniel Paletko, Gary Woronchak, Steve Bieda, John Gleason, Paul Condino, Jennifer Elkins, Barbara A Farrah, Hoon-Yung Hopgood, Paul Gieleghem, William O'Neil, Clarence Phillips, Frank Accavitti Jr., Lisa Wojno, Marsha Cheeks, Triette Reeves, Brenda Clack, Gretchen Whitmer, Dianne Byrum, Jennifer Elkins, Artina Hardman, Ken Daniels, John Stakoe

2003--SB 101 and 102 - **Beverly Hammerstrom**

2005--HBs 4793 and 4794

Fran Amos (HB 4793), **Chris Kolb** (HB 4793) Matthew Gillard, Fred Miller, Barbara Farrah, Kathleen Law, Rich Brown, Steve Tobocman, Glenn S Anderson, Paul Condino, John Pastor, Paula Zelenko, Steve Bieda, Herb Kehrl, Alma Smith, Pam Byrnes, Tom Casperson, John Garfield, Tonya Schuitmaker, John Stakoe, Clarence Phillips, William VanRegenmorter, Gretchen Whitmer, Alexander C Lipsey, Lisa Wojno, Dianne Byrum, Aldo Vagnozzi, Marsha Cheeks, John Gleason, Stephen Adamini, LaMar Lemmons III, Andy Meisner, John Espinoza, Carl Williams, George Cushingberry

2005--SBs 229 and 230

Beverly Hammerstrom, Gilda Jacobs, Bruce Patterson, Shirley Johnson, Mark Schauer, Virg Bernero, Liz Brater, Dennis Olshove, Hansen Clarke, Robert Emerson, Burton Leland

2007--HB 4390-4393

Mark Meadows, Bert Johnson, Fran Amos, Ted Hammon, Andy Coulouris, Pam Byrnes, Mary Valentine, Tom Casperson, John Pastor, Philip LaJoy, Darwin Booher, Gabe Leland, Lorence Wenke, John Garfield, Fred Miller, Lisa Wojno, LaMar Lemmons, Bettie Scott, Kathleen Law, Gino Polidori, Andy Meisner, Shanelle Jackson, Rebekah Warren, Alma Smith, Matthew Gillard, Robert Dean, Paul Opsommer, Judy Emmons, John Espinoza, Joan Bauer, Tim Melton, Aldo Vagnozzi, Coleman Young, Michael Lahti, Steve Bieda, Joel Sheltrown, Lee Gonzales, Steven Lindberg, Robert Jones, George Cushingberry, Brenda Clack, Bob Constan, Hoon-Yung Hopgood, Marsha Cheeks

2009--HBs 4597-4600

Rebekah Warren, Tom Pearce, Bert Johnson, Pam Byrnes, Vincent Gregory, Ellen Cogen Lipton, Dan Scripps, John Espinoza, Alma Wheeler Smith, Robert Jones, Marie Donigan, Fred Miller, Lesia Liss, Jon Switalski, Kathy Angerer, Barb Byrum, Joel Sheltrown, Dudley Spade, Andy Coulouris, Jeff Mayes, Gabe Leland, Harold Haugh, Terry Brown, Fred Durhal, Rashida Tlaib, Sarah Roberts, Coleman Young, Mark Meadows, Joan Bauer, Robert Dean, Deb Kennedy, Shanelle Jackson, Gary McDowell, Mary Valentine, Andy Neumann, Lisa Brown, Lee Gonzales, Tim Melton, Vicki Barnett, Kate Segal, Jimmy Womack, Bob Constan, Gino Polidori, Roy Schmidt, Paul Opsommer, Darwin Booher, Kevin Green, Matt Lori, Larry DeShazor, Kenneth Kurtz

2011--SB 50 (autism added)

Rebekah Warren, Coleman Young, Vincent Gregory, Hoon-Yung Hopgood , Gretchen Whitmer, Morris Hood, Tupac Hunter, John Gleason, Steven Bieda

March 19, 2012

Dear Mr. Ken Kurtz:

This is Kevin DeMott writing. How are you doing. I am having a hard time dealing with being isolated so much.

I am writing to express that there is a need for mental health parity law to be enacted.

I was effected by the lack of insurance money available. I was unable to recieve adequate care as my life time benefit maxed out when I was just ~~a~~ 13 years old.

I appreciate your consideration, time, and concern.

Sincerely,

Kevin DeMott