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To Whom It May Concern:

Our story isn't unlike others who have walked in our shoes...

Before Creating Opportunities, we felt as if we were completely cut off from the rest of the world. Family members had stopped talking to us because they couldn't understand our son or his behaviors, friends didn't have time for the additional needs our son required; life was slipping away from us at a pace we could never have imagined. We didn't know how to help our son, Arcadian, and we didn't know where to turn to for help and guidance. Before we found Creating Opportunities we were afraid to leave the house because we felt so isolated and alone. Had we never discovered our Regional Family Network we wouldn't have a verbal child as he was rapidly losing his speech and we didn't know where to turn to help him get the therapies he so desperately needed. Arcadian had no friends and had zero interest in socialization. Through Creating Opportunities, we have found not only a network of children who understand and accept him, but also a community we never knew existed of other parents who have helped us through some of the hardest struggles we've faced as a family.

Thanks to Creating Opportunities and their support, our son is now a bright and silly 5-year-old with playmates and we are parents who feel confident in what we are doing for him. If not for Creating Opportunities, and especially Cheryl Cisneros, we would still be living in seclusion and missing out on the imperative therapies and fantastic opportunities that await our son.

We were once told our son would never be able to achieve the dreams we as parents once had for him, but thanks to the support from this invaluable organization our son will not only be able to have dreams of his own but will one day achieve them.

We are just one family in a sea of many with similar stories. Just imagine how many more are out there and how we will all suffer without these phenomenal organizations.

Thank you for your time,
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