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Senator Ben Nelson  
United States Senate  
720 Hart Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Nelson:

I'm writing in support of the Child Advocacy Center located in Lincoln, Nebraska.

As a prosecutor in a rural jurisdiction, the Child Advocacy Center has proven to be an invaluable resource in investigating crimes against children that occur. Our local law enforcement agencies do not have the time or financial resources to train officers in the most effective way to talk with our most vulnerable victims, children. The Child Advocacy Center is always willing to help officers out in conducting these investigations. Once the interview is over, the Child Advocacy Center has advocates that work with the families of these victims to familiarize them with the court proceedings and get them the help they may need in dealing with these devastating revelations.

The Child Advocacy Center has outgrown their yellow house in Antelope Park and is building an expanded facility in Northeast Lincoln. As someone who has been to the Center, I can attest that the new expanded center will be a tremendous and necessary improvement for families and law enforcement alike.

Our office has worked in close partnership with the Child Advocacy Center and strongly support the work it does to help child victims. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have additional questions.

Sincerely,



Timothy S. Sieh  
York County Attorney