Date

Dear Senator (Last Name),

I am writing to you because you are a budget conferee. Thank you for including funds to support persons with brain injury in the Senate version of the 2024-2026 biennial budget. It includes:

· $1.5 million for workforce retention (314 #2s)

The brain injury community also requests $2.5 million to strengthen community-based safety net services. This funding is in the House budget (314 #4h). I urge you to advocate for its inclusion in the final budget sent to the governor.

I care about this because … (this is where you tell your story. Explain why you care. Describe a program you attend or a service you get and how it helps you. If you are writing from an area where programs have wait lists or no services are available, explain how those services could make a difference in your life).

Thank you for taking a moment to consider my comments. If you have any questions or want more information about my points, please get in touch with the Brain Injury Association of Virginia at info@biav.net.

Sincerely,

Your Name