## Dear [Recipient's Name],

I'm reaching out today to ask for your help in supporting an incredibly important cause – advocating for individuals and families affected by fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD). The FASD Respect Act (S.1800/HR.3946) is at a critical stage of the legislative process, and it needs the help of people like to you to ensure it passes. With FASD affecting 1 in 20 school-aged children (not to mention the adults those children grow up to be), the prevalence of FASD does not match its awareness or level of support. Your advocacy can change that.

The FASD Respect Act would provide much-needed resources and support through intervention services, thoughtful prevention messaging, education for healthcare professionals, and awareness for everyone. By providing support to people with FASD, their families, and our systems of care we are investing in valued members of our community, helping them live happier, healthier lives.

You can make a significant difference right now by contacting your Representative and Senators today, urging them to co-sponsor and support this critical legislation. It only takes a few minutes to call or send an email, and your voice could be the one that makes the difference.

Here's a simple way to get started:

- Find your Representatives and Senators: Find Your Representative | house.gov.
- Call their office to request a meeting to discuss the FASD Respect Act.

Or

 Contact Chris Melfi at FASD United (<u>melfi@fasdunited.org</u>) who can walk you through the steps or help you schedule a meeting!

Thank you so much for making sure FASD has a seat at the table.

Best regards,
[Your Name]
FASD Advocate