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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing today in support of the Autism Society of the Florida Keys (ASK). I have known Jill Campbell now for about 15 years, but it was not until 5 years ago that I realized how invaluable her support through ASK would affect our family.

My son was diagnosed with autism at just 18 months old and it was a very challenging time for my family and son. I was so overwhelmed and did not have any idea what I was doing or even where to begin. Then, I remembered Jill and her son who also was diagnosed with autism. I reached out to Jill and she introduced me to ASK, so I began attending the monthly support groups. I quickly learned that this was a group that I could laugh with, cry with and gain valuable knowledge that led me to getting the help my son needed. Along the way ASK has been able to help us in numerous way financially from helping with doctor payments, dolphin and swim therapy, sensory items, iPad for communication and advocates to help my son get placed in the proper classes at school. As, a low income family, these items are not things that I can easily provide on my own. ASK has been a guardian angel to these children and I have never seen any family turned away!

Please consider supporting the Autism Society of the Florida Keys so that they can reach even more families. They have changed our lives and I know they can do so much more given the right resources. Thank you for your consideration and if you need any further information please feel free to contact me.

Thank You,

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