

May 8, 2022

The Hon.\_\_\_\_\_ U.S. House of Representatives The Capitol Washington, DC 20510 Senator\_\_\_\_\_ United States Senate The Capitol Washington, DC 20510 Senator United States Senate The Capitol Washington, DC 20510

## Re: Support The One Stop Shop Community Reentry Program Act (H.R.3372/S.1733)

Dear Members of Congress,

I write as your constituent to urge you to support *The One Stop Shop Community Reentry Program Act (H.R.3372/S.1733)*. As a person of faith, I know that forgiveness and redemption are possible for all people, and this promise extends to those exiting prison systems across the United States. Reentry programs give people the resources needed to rejoin society, to create lives of dignity after prison, and to stay out of the prison system in the future.

Mass incarceration is a problem that devastates our nation, and a crucial part of this issue is how many people return to prison; a Bureau of Justice Statistics report issued by the Department of Justice found that 6 in 10 prisoners across 34 states were arrested within 3 years of release and 7 in 10 within 5 years of release. We must address this. *The One Stop Shop Community Reentry Program Act* creates community centers that localize all the resources needed to start again in one place, from employment programs, education opportunities to housing assistance.

I understand that many issues are pressing today, but I write this to urge that you support making this bipartisan bill to bolster reentry efforts a priority and ask that you vote for it. *The One Stop Shop Community Reentry Program Act (H.R.3372/S.1733)* is legislation that shows compassion for those trying to move back into society and is a sensible approach to moving our prison system towards true justice.

Thank you in advance for considering these requests and for your public service to this country.

Sincerely,

(Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_