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Dear Claudia Chender,

On behalf of Autism Nova Scotia, I am reaching out to request your support for the implementation of the Autism Action Plan—a commitment made by the current government earlier this year. This plan is essential in providing equitable, sustainable support to Autistic individuals across Nova Scotia, ensuring they have access to the necessary resources and services to thrive.

Autistic individuals and their families face ongoing challenges in accessing timely support for respite, health care, education, employment, and housing. By supporting the Autism Action Plan, your party would take critical steps toward addressing these needs, thereby advancing both inclusivity and quality of life for the autistic community in Nova Scotia.

The Autism Action Plan provides a roadmap for developing inclusive, communityfocused services that benefit Autistic individuals of all ages and their families. It promises not only to enhance support systems but also to empower Autistic people to participate fully in their communities.

We urge you to prioritize the implementation of this plan within your party's platform. Together, we can ensure Nova Scotia leads the way in creating a province where every Autistic individual can live a full life.

Thank you for your dedication to the autistic community. We look forward to your support.

Sincerely,

Amanda Alexander, Interim Executive Director

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