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Committee Secretary  
Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth  
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Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600  
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19<sup>th</sup> June, 2008.

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Dear Secretary,

I wish to make a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth's Inquiry into Better Support for Carers.

As a Carer, I feel that my role is ....

support for my son who has a mental health condition and has been supported and cared for up until now and he is approaching 40.

I face the following problems ...

We are entering mid to late sixties - with some ongoing health problems and physically find it difficult to clean etc

I need help with ...

Transport training; cleaning laundry and general support to ensure that he is independent before we are unable to support anymore

I think the Government can better help Carers by ...

Providing respite care or support care if the parent/carers are absent for short or long periods and this needs to be reliable

Thank you for taking my views into consideration as part of the Committee's Inquiry. I look forward to reviewing any recommendations you make to improve life for Carers in Australia.

Yours sincerely

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