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Ms Annette Ellis MP
Committee Chair
Inquiry into Better Care for Our Carers
House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,
Community, Housing and Youth
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Ellis

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

As a carer, I provide the following support 24 hour support for my 26 year old daughter. (a single mum)

I face the following problems ...

Working to her support (and working full time
needs and understanding) coming home tired
her needs can change

I can't fully participate in social activities because ... I have my daughter to care for, and no one to have my daughter to enable me to have social activities. (a cuppa with a friend would be nice)

I am financially struggling because of ... because low payed job + can only work 30 hours a week + have a home loan.

I need help with ... looking into group homes for my daughter, that I feel, she will be happy with, and get ~~on~~ on with the other clients is very important to me.

I would like to work (full-time or part-time) but have the following issues to deal with ...

I need to work to enable to pay my home loan and other every day bills

I need assistance to ... Where to start - to look at group homes + what money would my daughter need to have?

I worry about my future because ... Where will my daughter end up - Group homes take lots of money to set up.

The things that cause me stress are ... Working full time giving the care needed to support my daughter, with the best care that I feel she needs.

I think the Government can better help Carers by ... Looking out the numbers of people that need support, to enable them to have a group home, when their parents can no longer cope.

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

Yours sincerely

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