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Representative Nick Zerwas 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. State Office Building Room 433 St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representative Zerwas,

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The CARE Act provides support for family caregivers in simple, commonsense ways. Under this act, family caregivers are recognized by hospitals, and notified of their loved one's discharge. The caregiver is also provided the necessary instruction on specific care that the loved one will require upon return to their home.

Passage of this bill is needed by families living with Alzheimer's and other conditions, and will be to the benefit of all Minnesotans. The Alzheimer's Association thanks you for authoring this important legislation.

Sincerely,

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