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Senator John Eklund
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
Senate Building
1 Capitol Square, 1st Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Support for S.B. 377

Dear Chairman Eklund,

I hope this letter finds you well. Please accept this written correspondence as formal support for Senate Bill 377. Community Corrections Association, Inc. (CCA) has a long history of serving men and women transitioning from the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections (ODRC) through the Transitional Control (TC) program.

The TC program is the most successful program administered by ODRC to safely and effectively transition individuals to a licensed halfway house. CCA engages TC placements in evidence-based programming which aims to change their criminal thinking ultimately reducing the recidivism rate. In addition, TC placements receive substance abuse treatment, educational and vocational planning necessary to successfully assist their re-entry. Participants work with our professional staff to build the necessary skills to obtain and retain employment. While in the program TC placements pay taxes, restitution, child support and start to save and plan for their future.

CCA's halfway houses have existing capacity to serve Transitional Control placements at no additional cost to the state. We hope that the committee will support the passage of Senate Bill 377 and am happy to discuss with you any questions that may arise.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

David J. Stillwagon
Chief Executive Officer

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Certified by the Ohio Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

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