

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski U.S. Senate 522 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Murkowski:

On behalf of Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) and its 5,000 coalition members across the nation, I want to thank you for your outstanding leadership in sponsoring "Bruce's Law". This legislation will build on the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act's (CARA's) core prevention provisions by amending current law to embed awareness raising and community-based prevention related to fentanyl and fentanyl laced substances specifically into the Act. CADCA is especially pleased that this legislation builds on the successful concept of enhancement grants to current and former Drug Free Communities Coalition (DFC) grantees. "Bruce's Law" authorizes a new CARA Section 103A. This new provision will enable DFC grantees to compete to work more intensively to address the issue of street drugs among youth by authorizing a new coalition enhancement grant program to provide comprehensive community wide strategies to reduce population levels of the use of street drugs contaminated with fentanyl among youth.

"Bruce's Law" represents an important step in combatting the deadly fentanyl epidemic facing our nation through community-based prevention. This legislation will be a critically important tool to help raise awareness and implement comprehensive community-based strategies that can effectively address the deadly issue of fentanyl contaminated drug use among youth. CADCA is proud to support this legislation.

Sincerely,

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