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Community Options Advocates to Senator Menendez for International Children with Disabilities

Washington, DC – Community Options, the leading national nonprofit supporting people with disabilities, met with United States Senator Bob Menendez in Washington, DC to advocate for children with disabilities internationally.

Based in New Jersey, Community Options develops housing and employment for 5,000 people with disabilities across eleven states and has previously operated in Egypt through USAID. Community Options Executive Vice President Svetlana Repic-Qira discussed with Senator Menendez on strategies to pass the International Children with Disabilities Protection Act.

“I want to thank Senator Menendez for leading the efforts on this important legislation,” said Ms. Repic-Qira. “We are proud to support this bipartisan bill which will advance disability rights and prevent the unnecessary institutionalization of children with disabilities around the world.”

The International Children with Disabilities Act of 2022 was introduced by Senators Menendez and Jerry Moran. The bill, which has bipartisan support from thirteen Senators, would promote the development of laws and policies to support the full inclusion of children with disabilities in families.



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About Community Options, Inc.:

For over 30 years, Community Options has developed housing and employment supports for people with disabilities – serving thousands of people from over 50 offices across 11 states. Community Options provides advocacy assistance to empower people with disabilities because all people – regardless of ability level – should live and work in the community with dignity, choice and self-determination. For more information, please visit our website: www.comop.org and to follow along with the #AllItTakes campaign, search #AllItTakes on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.