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Subject: Support for Food Bank Funding in Final Budget

Good Day Representative [Last Name]:

I am contacting you today as a proud supporter of SAFE. For over a decade SAFE has offered food assistance to thousands of your constituents in Alamance County through its partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank.

SAFE has experienced tremendous and sustained high demand for food assistance over the past several years. In fact, there has been over a 50% increase in food assistance requests year over year at SAFE.

This increased demand has placed extraordinary pressure on SAFE's ability to meet the needs of our community and has stretched the nonprofit's resources to a point where it must consider providing less food per family it sees. Without your continued (and, hopefully enhanced) support, SAFE risks limiting its ability to provide the food required to meet both the immediate and future needs for some of the most vulnerable residents of Alamance County.

I understand that the current Senate version of the budget does not include funding for North Carolina's food banks. I urge you to support our state's food banks, and in turn SAFE, by including an appropriation in the next version of the budget.

Specifically, as supporters of SAFE, we respectfully request the following budget support:

- An increase from \$6 million to \$9 million in funding for the six Feeding the Carolinas member food banks as an appropriation through the NC Department of Agriculture, as currently funded
- Renewal of \$100,000 in funding for Feeding the Carolinas

I sincerely appreciate your time and consideration and thank you for being a champion for those in need in our community and the organizations who support them. You will be making a tremendous and needed difference in SAFE's work and in Alamance County.

Thank you,
[Your Name]
[Your Title]
[Phone]
[Email]