



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Congressman Jamie Raskin  
51 Monroe Street, Suite 503  
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Congressman Raskin:

The Mental Health Advisory Committee would like to extend our sincere and heartfelt condolences at the passing of your son, Tommy Raskin.

As a committee, we are a group of volunteers to work within our county to address the mental health needs of the community. Our group also includes individuals with lived experience with mental illness – both on a personal level and as family members – which helps to inform and guide the work that we do. As you heal from this incredible loss, if there is anything our committee can do for you or your family, please let us know. We remain committed to addressing depression and suicide prevention, so if you have thoughts on any unaddressed needs – at the individual, family, or community level – that may need our focus, we welcome the opportunity to hear from you.

We wish you and your family peace.

Sincerely,

Helga Luest and Garrett Mannchen  
Co-Chairs, Mental Health Advisory Committee