



Office of the  
Town Administrator

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Senator Elizabeth Warren  
2400 JFK Federal Building  
15 New Sudbury Street  
Boston, MA 02203

Representative Elijah E. Cummings  
2163 Rayburn HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator Warren and Representative Cummings,

I write on behalf of the Town of West Bridgewater, in support of the proposed Comprehensive Addiction Resources Emergency (CARE) Act. The opioid epidemic does not discriminate, affecting both big cities and little towns alike and I believe that the CARE Act would assist in providing the resources needed to help vulnerable populations begin tackling the opioid crisis. Cities and Towns at the forefront of the opioid epidemic need specific and sustained funding to deliver affordable, comprehensive addiction treatment to those in need.

Being modeled after the Ryan White Act, allowing local decision making and funding federal research allows the CARE Act to provide the assistance needed to address the opioid crisis and provide the specialty treatment needed to tackle the wide spread substance use disorder.

The Town of West Bridgewater is calling for greater federal support to bring an end to the opioid crisis and is in support of the Comprehensive Resources Emergency Act. We cannot afford to wait any longer to pass this comprehensive legislation. Resources allocated under the CARE Act will not only help save lives, they'll help change lives and future generations for the better, too.

The Town of West Bridgewater is proud to stand behind the CARE Act, and I look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

David Gagne  
Town Administrator

cc: Board of Selectmen  
Anne Iannitelli, Town Clerk