

## CTC Testimony

Hello Everyone, thank you for your time today

My name is Spencer, I live in South Portland with my wife and two-year-old daughter, Claudia

I am writing to express my strong support for the child tax credit. As a parent, I understand the financial burden of raising a child. However, I strongly believe that every cent put into our children is the right path to a stronger, smarter, and kinder society. The child tax credit provides much-needed relief for families such as mine struggling to cover the costs of child care, education, and other essential expenses.

The child tax credit not only helps families make ends meet, but also invests in the future of our economy by supporting the education and well-being of our children. It is essential to ensure that every child has the opportunity to reach their full potential regardless of their family's income.

The child tax credit has been a lifeline for many families, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic. This refundable tax credit has been expanded to benefit more families, providing monthly payments to help cover the costs of raising a child. This critical support has protected families from financial hardship and contributed to the overall economic recovery.

I urge you to continue supporting the child tax credit and expand its benefits to ensure that every child has the chance to succeed. Investing in our children and families is a fundamental obligation that we all share, and the child tax credit is one way that we can fulfill that commitment.

Let's set the next generation up for success. They'll be taking care of us in the end.