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Hello. My name is Michelle Cragin and I am a Direct Support Professional for people with intellectual disabilities. Through the last year not only have us direct care workers faced working through a pandemic, but we've also been faced with a staffing crisis because of insignificant pay. While a ton of people were able to stay home to be safe, we've had to sacrifice working overtime, risking us, our families and the people we care for. To put it simply, we deserve a pay raise. We deserve the hazard pay we haven't got because we've been lost in the shadows. The people we care for, cannot care for themselves. They don't deserve to have constant people in and out of their lives because the turnover rate is so high because we get paid so little. They deserve stable staff, and we deserve a wage we can live off while putting others' needs before our own. Please, please help us Direct care workers for people with intellectual disabilities get the pay and hazard pay we deserve.