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The Honorable Jerrold Nadler United States House of Representatives 2132 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Joe Wilson United States House of Representatives 1436 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

## **VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Dear Representatives Jerrold Nadler (D-NY-12) and Joe Wilson (R-SC-2):

The United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) joins multiple stakeholder organizations in supporting the Living Organ Donor Tax Credit Act (H.R. 6171). This bipartisan legislation would reduce the financial disincentives to living donation.

UNOS thanks you for your leadership in introducing this legislation, which supports our shared goal of strengthening the nation's organ donation and transplantation system.

Organ donors face extensive costs associated with their donation including surgery, travel, lodging, follow-up care, and lost wages in connection with transplantation. Through reducing the financial disincentive to organ donation, the legislation could increase the number of living donors which will lead to more patients receiving lifesaving transplants.

UNOS works with the entire organ donation and transplant community to ensure that patients on the national waitlist have equitable access to lifesaving organ transplants. Increasing the number of people who will consider becoming living donors is essential to achieving this goal.

Sincerely,

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