

Bill No. 5005

Hello, my name is Nickia Corley, I am from the City of New Haven and I am in complete favor of seeing the continued funding of **Music Haven Bill 5005**. As parent of a child that attends Music Haven in New Haven, CT, I've seen this program change her life. This program has provided FREE cello lessons along with a free cello to my child for the past 4 years. Last spring my daughter and I met with State Rep. Robyn Porter to detail the impact this program has had on my child's development and education. My daughter was diagnosed with epilepsy at the age of 2 and had significant developmental delays. Attending Music Haven over the past 4 year my child's grades in school have increased dramatically, she now has a dream of becoming a neuroscientist and a cellist. So many students in New Haven benefit from this program please keep Music Haven funding in the Budget. Bill 5005.

Thank you to the Appropriations Committee for reading my testimony. Please contact me at 1021complete@gmail.com if you have questions.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nickia Corley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, decorative flourish at the end of the name.

Nickia Corley