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The Honorable Joe Wilson
U.S. House of Representatives
1436 Longworth House Office Building

Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Wilson:

On behalf of the American Nephrology Nurses Association (ANNA), I would like to thank you for reintroducing the *Living Organ Donor Tax Credit Act*. ANNA appreciates your leadership on such an important issue.

ANNA is a nonprofit organization with a membership of more than 6,000 registered nurses and other health care professionals at all levels of practice. ANNA members work in settings such as chronic kidney disease management, peritoneal dialysis, hemodialysis, continuous renal replacement therapy, transplantation, and government and regulatory agencies. ANNA believes that the demand for quality nephrology patient care will continue to grow in the future, especially with the many changes occurring within health care and, specifically, within the specialty of nephrology. We believe that our nurses are in a unique position to enhance the quality of care delivered to individuals with kidney disease.

ANNA is proud to support the *Living Organ Donor Tax Credit Act*, which would expand the number of viable kidneys available for transplant by providing a one-time, nonrefundable tax credit worth up to \$5,000 to individuals who donate a qualified, lifesaving organ. Transplantation is the most effective treatment for chronic kidney disease, but the process of donating a kidney can be costly, with potential donors foregoing donation due to lost wages and expensive medical bills. The tax credit in the legislation will help reduce some of the cost barriers that hinder potential organ donations.

ANNA stands ready to work with you and your colleagues to advance the *Living Organ Donor Tax Credit Act*. If we can be of any assistance on this issue, please do not hesitate to contact me or ANNA's Washington representative, Jim Twaddell (jtwaddell@venable.com). Again, thank you for your leadership on this important measure.

Sincerely,

President

Jennifer Payton