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The Honorable Bernie Sanders United States Senate 332 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Sanders,

On behalf of the approximately one million members and supporters of The Senior Citizens League (TSCL), 6,028 of whom are your constituents, I would like to thank you for introducing the *Social Security Expansion Act*, S. 731.

Protecting Social Security for current and future retirees is critical to our members and supporters, many of whom survive on very limited, fixed incomes. As such, TSCL salutes you for introducing legislation that would make cost-of-living adjustments more fair and accurate, ask wealthier Americans to contribute more to the program, and reduce senior poverty by updating the current benefit formula. Together, these changes would strengthen the Social Security program while extending the solvency of the trust funds responsibly, without cutting benefits for seniors.

The Senior Citizens League lends its enthusiastic support and the support of its membership to the Social Security Expansion Act. We believe your bill would go a long way in ensuring the retirement security that senior citizens have earned and deserve, and we look forward to informing our members and supporters about your efforts.

Again, thank you for being a positive voice for America's seniors in the U.S. Senate. If we may be of assistance to you or your staff in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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