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The Honorable Susan Collins
413 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Collins:

AARP is pleased to endorse the Supporting Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Act (S. 1091). The legislation would establish a federal taskforce to support grandparents raising grandchildren. The purpose of the taskforce would be to serve as a hub of current resources for these grandparents, and it would be charged with coordinating and disseminating federal information and best practices. This is especially important as grandparents are stepping in to care for their grandchildren during trying economic times or during difficult family circumstances. Grandparents are often a stabilizing force for these children. Your legislation would help families headed by grandparents or other relatives receive support.

AARP appreciates your leadership in helping to support families led by grandparents or other relatives. We look forward to working with you on this and other issues important to older Americans. If you have any questions, please contact Maggie Randolph on our Government Affairs staff at (202) 434-3770 or at mrandolph@aarp.org.

Sincerely,

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