Subject: Please support funding for Support Through Court

Dear [MP Name],

I am writing as a constituent and supporter of Support Through Court. *[Add in your connection with Support Through Court, and say if your service is in their constituency, or if their constituents use the National Helpline.]*

The Ministry of Justice's decision to cut £300,000 a year from Support Through Court will result in service closures and reduced support, limiting access to justice for thousands of people who rely on the charity's help each year.

I know you will be concerned about the impact this will have on your constituents. Every year, thousands of people in your constituency face family and civil court proceedings without a lawyer. Many are dealing with issues such as domestic abuse, housing problems, disability, poor mental health, financial hardship or family breakdown. Without support, many struggle to understand court procedures, complete paperwork, comply with court directions or participate effectively in hearings.

Last year the charity supported court users on more than 51,000 occasions and helped people better understand court procedures, prepare for hearings and engage with the justice system. This not only benefits your constituents but also helps courts operate more effectively by reducing avoidable confusion, improving preparedness and enabling litigants in person to participate more effectively.

[Add any additional information here on the impacts on clients you see and your experience of Support Through Court.]

The Ministry of Justice has funded this service for more than sixteen years. The £300,000 annual contribution represents a modest investment that delivers significant value for court users and the wider justice system.

Given the impact on your constituents, I would be grateful if you would write to the Minister for Courts and Legal Services urging the continuation of funding for Support Through Court.

Yours sincerely,

[Name]
[Add your full address including postcode so the MP can see you're in their constituency and will respond]