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Dear Colleagues,

As you may recall, last week we informed our network and issued a [press release](#) that the Older Americans Act (OAA) Reauthorization, S. 192, was reported favorably by the Senate HELP Committee. We have just learned that the OAA may receive consideration on the Senate floor in the near future.

We need a strong showing of support to Senate leadership to schedule a vote on the OAA. Please contact each of your senators ASAP and urge them to 1) cosponsor the OAA and 2) express support for the OAA to Senate leadership and urge its swift consideration on the Senate floor.

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The Older Americans Act, S. 192, reauthorizes the Older Americans Act of 1965. The law supports home-delivered and congregate meal programs, screening for elder abuse and prevention efforts, services for family caregivers, falls prevention, chronic disease management, transportation, senior centers and Aging and Disability Resource Centers, and coordination between programs at the federal, state, and local levels.

Furthermore, S. 192 contains language underscoring that services under the OAA are critical to meeting the urgent needs of Holocaust survivors to age in place with dignity, comfort, security, and quality of life. To view the full text of this provision, click [here](#) and scroll down to the last section, Sec. 10 Guidance on Serving Holocaust Survivors.

Thank you for your assistance, and please keep us informed about your advocacy efforts. If you have any questions, please contact [Shelley Rood](#).

Thank you and Shabbat Shalom,

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