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The Rt Hon Rachel Reeves
Chancellor of the Exchequer
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Dear Chancellor

I am writing on behalf of Acorns Children's Hospice in support of their campaign to save the Children's Hospice Grant.

Established in 1988, Acorns Children's Hospice has delivered the essential care hundreds of local children need for the past 36 years - and without it many families would be left with nowhere else to turn.

Now, for the first time in its history, the hospice is facing the prospect of turning away a child in need. This is a situation I can't accept.

I'm therefore joining Acorns Children's Hospice in urging you to protect and maintain the Children's Hospice Grant as a directly distributed, ringfenced grant, so Acorns, and every children's hospice in England can continue providing the care children and families desperately need.

To give Acorns and local families the assurances we need, the Government must also guarantee the Children's Hospice Grant for at least five years and increase it by the rate of inflation every year.

By guaranteeing this core funding, it will allow Acorns and hospices across the country to be there for every child and family who needs them.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bradley Thomas".

Bradley Thomas MP
Member of Parliament for Bromsgrove and the Villages