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Dear California Institute for Regenerative Medicine,

My name is Ahmed, and I am writing this as a 13-year-old brother of a child, my 7-year-old sister, Maryam, living with Batten Disease. Watching someone you have loved for almost your whole life suffer from this disease is heart-breaking. As an older brother, I have seen how this has affected my family and my sister. I prayed for her to get better, and I helped her walk. For CLN6 families, every day matters. Delays in research and possible treatments means that children or ANYONE with CLN6 will LOSE ABILITIES THEY ARE NEVER GOING TO BE ABLE TO REGAIN. This clinical trial gives me hope that my sister will get better, and we will be able to do all the fun things she dreams of doing. I RESPECTFULLY ask you to consider the impact and importance of this decision. Thank you for your time.