"Colorado recorded over 47,000 eviction filings in 2024, a 20 percent increase from the prior year. Each filing puts a household's housing and economic security at risk, with consequences that can disrupt employment, children's education, health, and community ties. Too many tenants facing eviction in Colorado, and across the country, cannot access timely financial or legal help. Most must navigate a complex court process on their own. The Eviction Crisis Act would provide communities with practical tools to prevent avoidable displacement. It would interrupt the cycles of poverty that eviction reinforces, including emergency assistance, grants for landlord-tenant community courts, and data to help policymakers understand the scale of the crisis and identify effective interventions. By reducing the harms caused by eviction, this bipartisan legislation would allow Colorado families to continue on the path toward economic security. Colorado Center on Law and Policy thanks Senators Bennet and Young for their leadership and urges Congress to enact the Eviction Crisis Act." - **Charles Brennan, Income and Housing Policy Director, Colorado Center on Law and Policy**

"The Eviction Crisis Act will play a critical role in supporting rent-burdened tenants struggling to pay their bills. We applaud Senator Bennet's continued efforts to pass this important legislation. It has the potential to help our clients, many of whom are on the brink of eviction, stay in their homes." **- Zach Neumann, Co-Founder and CEO, Community Economic Defense Project**

"When a family faces eviction, they not only face losing their housing - they face losing the foundation that makes every other opportunity possible. Stable housing is linked to healthy lives, educational success, economic mobility, and strong communities. The Eviction Crisis Act, championed by the Opportunity Starts at Home campaign and backed by substantial research, will ensure that we have thriving communities for everyone from the youngest to the eldest in our neighborhoods." **- Chantelle Wilkinson, Vice President of Strategic Partnerships and Campaigns at the National Low Income Housing Coalition.**

"Children in families that have experienced eviction are more likely to be in poor health, be at risk for developmental delays, have mothers who report depression, and live in households struggling with food insecurity. These harms can occur whether a family is removed through a formal court process or forced from their home outside the legal system. The reintroduction of the Eviction Crisis Act gives Congress a critical opportunity to help families weather a short-term financial crisis before it becomes a cascade of displacement and harm. The Act would also provide comprehensive data policymakers need to track the eviction crisis' scope, including disparities, to inform evidence-based policymaking."- **Stephanie Ettinger de Cuba, PhD, MPH, Executive Director, Children's HealthWatch**

"The National Association of Social Workers (NASW), the nation's largest professional social work organization, supports passage of the Eviction Crisis Act. We thank Senators Bennet and Young for this bipartisan collaboration to address one of the country's most important social

challenges: maintaining stable housing. Social workers, as direct providers of services to low-income families, are all too aware of how financial distress can create a housing crisis which often leads to homelessness. The provisions of the bill will help families in crisis and will help state and local governments develop innovative programs that will lead to housing stability for these families." **- Anthony Estreet, PhD, MBA, LCSW-C, CEO of the National Association of Social Workers**

"Every eviction prevented is a family spared the trauma and instability that can have lasting effects on children. At Family Promise, the national leader advancing proven community-based solutions to prevent and end family homelessness, we see every day that early interventions, including eviction prevention, emergency financial assistance, and housing stabilization services, help keep families and children safely housed and prevent crises before they begin. We applaud Senator Bennet and Senator Young for reintroducing the bipartisan Eviction Crisis Act, which would expand access to proven supports, strengthen eviction data, and improve access to legal and social services for families facing housing instability. We look forward to working with Congress to advance solutions that help more children and families remain safely housed." **- Carolyn Gordon, Chief Network and Program Officer, Family Promise**

"On the receiving end of any eviction notice is a household facing a crisis, one that threatens to destabilize them physically, emotionally, and financially. We know that eviction can be a very short and narrow road to homelessness. We are grateful to see the Eviction Crisis Act back under consideration in the Senate as the data tells us that it is as necessary now as it was five years ago." **- Aspen Clemons, Executive Director, Prosperity Indiana**