

Hello, my name is Cornell Bang from San Jose, CA and I'm a friend of a Bay Area family currently impacted by MPS-IIIB. My wife, Faye Bang and I are writing in the hopes that this letter along with others from our community will help encourage the funding for TRAN1-16907 led by principal investigator Katelyn Masiuk, MD.

My wife and I have gotten to know the Lau family and their son Matthew through our local church community and we've been encouraged by their friendship, their love for their two young boys, and how they serve the local community. When we heard about Matthew's Sanfilippo diagnosis, we were in disbelief and devastated. As a family of four with two young children of our own, we can't imagine a world where we'd lose our child or any child to a degenerative disease and have to watch year by year knowing that the inevitable would come.

Knowing Matthew Lau's parents, and I don't say this half-heartedly or flippantly, they would trade literally anything to cure Matthew and if presented with the option, I'm certain that they would trade places with their own son if it meant giving him a chance to live a full life. I genuinely believe that is the extent to which they love their son Matthew and desire to see him cured.

We strongly urge the subcommittee to recognize the critical urgency and importance of this project that can potentially change the lives of families affected by Sanfilippo.

Best,  
Cornell and Faye Bang

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cornell and Faye Bang".