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Hi, my name is Jena and I'm here with Return Strong! Families United for Justice for the Incarcerated. My loved one is incarcerated at NNCC, for a nonviolent parole violation on a nonviolent offense. We are from GA, and before he was transported to Nevada he was diagnosed with stage 3 prostate cancer. He needs surgery to have his prostate removed. He has no family or friends there, and less than a year to finish his sentence. There are so many questions and worries that I really don't know where to begin. Since October, he's only been to two appointments, with no real treatment, just consultation. He's been on quarantine over a month with his mental health declining. He says that in quarantine, he can hear people a few cells down coughing, who have covid-19. And when he does go for surgery, will he be safe in the hospital there? Our fear is that he won't come home. We have a two year old daughter that needs her daddy to make it home. In these times of uncertainty, no one really knows what the right answer is. But, the safety of the public should be first on our list. Now is the time for compassion and benevolence. For everyone. We can't forget about the people in there. We need compassionate and rapid release before it's too late!!