STRESS RELIEF TIP SHEET:

QUICK STRATEGIES FOR GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN

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10 Easy Stress Busters (in 10 Minutes or Less)

- 1. 4-7-8 Breathing: Inhale for 4 counts, hold for 7, exhale for 8.
- 2. Step outside for fresh air and a few deep breaths.
- 3. Stretch: Reach high, touch your toes, roll your shoulders.
- 4. Listen to a favorite song.
- 5. Sip a cup of tea or water in a quiet spot.
- 6. Brain Dump: Write down every task on your mind.
- 7. Laugh: Watch a short funny video.
- 8. Read a page from an inspiring book.
- 9. Light a candle with a scent you love.
- 10. Do a quick tidy-up of one small area.

5 Boundary-Setting Phrases

- 1. "Thank you for thinking of me, but I need to pass."
- 2. "I'm focusing on my family right now."
- 3. "I'm not able to commit to that at this time."
- 4. "Let me check my schedule and get back to you."
- 5. "I have to prioritize rest and home life."

Daily Self-Care Checklist (Make your own that works for you)

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2-Minute Reset Exercise

- Sit comfortably.
- Close your eyes.
- Breathe in deeply.
- Unclench your jaw.
- Drop your shoulders.
- Relax your hands.
- Repeat the word "peace" or "breathe."

Repeat twice.

Top 5 Music Playlist Ideas for a Mood Boost

- 1. "Here Comes the Sun" The Beatles
- 2. "Count on Me" Bruno Mars
- 3. "Lovely Day" Bill Withers
- 4. "Walking on Sunshine" Katrina and the Waves
- 5. "Stronger" Kelly Clarkson

Quick Gratitude Prompts

- One thing that made you smile today.
- One small win you're proud of.
- One person you're thankful for.
- One moment of peace you experienced.
- One thing you're looking forward to tomorrow.

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