## **ABSTRACT**

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The presence of an autistic child in the family may have adverse effects on various domains of life (Greeff & Walt, 2010). Family resilience refers to the process of coping and adaptation in the family as functional unit. Family resilience making people understand the process of family to resolve stress and make family to overcome with crisis and survive with prolonged difficulties (Walsh, 2006). This study aims to provide overview family resilience living with middle childhood child with autism spectrum disorder ASD). The theory used in this study is the theory of family resilience by Walsh (2006). Characteristic of family resilience consists of three, namely belief system, organizational patterns, and communication processes. This study was conducted for four months starting from January 2015 to April 2015. This study using qualitative research method and using Walsh Family Resilience Questionnaire (WFRQ) given to five families to screening the state of family resilience and obtained two families that match the criteria. In-depth interview to two families that have a child with ASD aged 6-12 years. In general, the results of this study indicated that the both families middle childhood child with

ASD in this study have family resilience.

Keywords: Family Resilience, Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), and Middle

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