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Honorable Henry Stern
Chair, Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee
California State Senate
Capitol Building, Room 3070
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1044 (QUIRK) – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Quirk:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, supports AB 1044, which would require that the state Voter Information Guide display the website address for a voter to check the status of a vote by mail or provisional ballot. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee on June 6, 2017.

By requiring the website address on the guide, voters can easily find out if their ballot was counted. This will ensure confidence in the system and give voters information about the status of their vote.

For these reasons, we support this bill. Please contact me if you have any questions about our position on this bill.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Margaret Johnson', is written over a light grey signature line.

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cc: Honorable Bill Quirk, California State Assembly
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