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April 2, 2018

Honorable Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher  
Chair, Appropriations Committee  
California State Assembly  
Capitol Building, Room 2114  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 1909 (NAZARIAN) – SUPPORT**

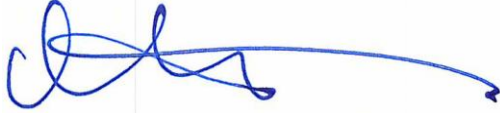
Dear Assembly Member Gonzalez Fletcher:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports AB 1909**. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee on April 4, 2018.

Under existing law, the Department of Social Services (DSS) translates notices and other materials for In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) consumers. We think existing translation for consumers is very important and especially helpful. Even better would be translating provider notices and materials as well. Just as the materials for consumers are provided in the four most common languages spoken by IHSS consumers (English, Spanish, Armenian, and Chinese), we believe similarly translated materials for providers will enable these providers to better help consumers.

For these reasons, DRC supports this bill. Please contact me if you have any questions about our position or if I can provide any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Deb Roth', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Deb Roth  
Senior Legislative Advocate  
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