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Honorable Scott Wiener  
Chair, Appropriations Committee  
California State Senate  
Capitol Building, Room 5100  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 1909 (NAZARIAN) as amended February 27, 2018 – SUPPORT**

Dear Senator Wiener:

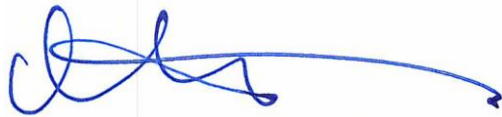
Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports AB 1909**. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Senate Human Services Committee on June 12, 2018.

In the Assembly Appropriations Committee, AB 1909 was determined to have negligible costs. The bill has been noncontroversial and passed out of the Assembly on consent.

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.

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  
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Disability Rights California

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