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June 14, 2018

Honorable Richard Pan
Chair, Health Committee
California State Senate
Capitol Building, Room 5114
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 2233 (KALRA) as amended May 25, 2018 – SUPPORT


Dear Senator Pan:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports AB 2233**. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Senate Health Committee on June 20, 2018.

When it comes down to something as fundamental and personal as where a person lives, self-determination and enforcement of the *Olmstead* decision are paramount. People with disabilities and people who are elderly and need assistance, should be able to live in their own home or in an alternative community-based setting, if that is their choice. We hope the waiver renewal works as intended to allow more people to live in the settings of their choice.

The bill would also make legislative findings and declarations relating to the Assisted Living Waiver program. 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

cc: Honorable Ash Kalra, California State Assembly
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