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Honorable Jerry Brown
Governor of California
Capitol Building, 1st Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 3002 (GRAYSON) as amended August 24, 2018 – REQUEST
FOR SIGNATURE**

Dear Governor Brown:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports AB 3002 and requests your signature on this important bill.**

As amended, AB 3002 requires the Department of the State Architect (DSA) to develop a model notice, which it will also post on its website, for local jurisdictions to use or modify when issuing building permits or business licenses to applicants.


Pursuant to the bill, the notice will be translated into specified languages and include the following: 1) general information on access compliance requirements under both state and federal law; 2) an advisory strongly encouraging the applicant to obtain a consultation by a Certified Access Specialist (CASp) before alteration or construction or engaging in business on the property to ensure compliance with the laws so that the applicant can benefit from the advantages of compliance as well as obtaining a CASp inspection after alteration or construction or engaging in business on the property to benefit from the legal protections; 3) information about how to locate CASp inspectors, including a link to the Internet Web site of the State Architect where CASp inspectors are listed, by geographic area in

which they provide or intend to provide services; 4) a notice of the federal and state programs that are available to assist small businesses with disability compliance and access expenditures; and 5) a link to the home page and the resource page of the California Commission on Disability Access.

DRC supports AB 3002 because it advances disability access compliance. It is a proactive measure that provides resources and information to businesses to comply with the law and promotes equal access for individuals with disabilities. As such, this bill is a step in the right direction and helps to protect the civil rights of individuals with disabilities.

For these reasons, DRC supports this bill and requests your signature on this critical measure. Please contact me if you have any questions about our position or if I can provide any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Evelyn M. Abouhassan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Evelyn" and the last name "Abouhassan" clearly legible.

Evelyn Abouhassan
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