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June 22, 2018

Honorable Ash Kalra  
California State Assembly  
Capitol Building, Room 5160  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: ACR 238 (KALRA) as amended June 6, 2018 – SUPPORT**


Dear Assembly Member Kalra:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports ACR 238.**

This measure would proclaim and acknowledge the month of June 2018 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month in California, and would reiterate the importance of annually recognizing Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month in the state. In addition, it declares the right of individuals who are considered elderly or dependent to: 1) live safely in the least restrictive environment, and 2) enjoy an optimum quality of life while being protected from all forms of injustice -- rights which any individual would want to have.

DRC appreciates that the Assembly Aging and Long Term-Care Committee staff worked with us to amend the bill and ensure that it is more inclusive of disability friendly language. Therefore, DRC supports this resolution. Please contact me if you have any questions about our position or if I can provide any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Evelyn M. Abouhassan". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Evelyn Abouhassan  
Senior Legislative Advocate  
Disability Rights California

cc: Barry Brewer, Chief Consultant, Assembly Aging and Long-Term  
Care Committee  
Honorable Members, California State Senate