April 24, 2020

Honorable Jim Frazier
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 3091
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: HR 90 (FRAZIER) as introduced March 12, 2020 – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Chau:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, supports HR 90.

March is recognized nationwide as Developmental Disabilities awareness month. As of January, 1, 2020, California had approximately 720,000 individuals living with developmental disabilities. Disability Rights California (DRC) encourages everyone to recognize and continue to push for equal rights for persons with developmental disabilities.

People with intellectual and developmental disabilities should have access to regional center services that reflect their needs, choices and cultural values. They should also be able to avoid institutionalization and participate to the maximum extent possible in making decisions about their own lives.

DRC assists individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities obtain meaningful work at a competitive wage, access healthcare in home and community based settings, and challenge civil rights violations. DRC continues to advocate for people with developmental disabilities to promote acceptance, and awareness about inclusion in all areas of community life.
For these reasons, DRC supports HR 90 (Frazier), Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month.

Sincerely,

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cc: Honorable Jim Frazier, California State Assembly
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