March 8, 2024

The Honorable Corey Jackson  
Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee 2 on Human Services  
1021 O Street, Room 6120

The Honorable Caroline Menjivar  
Chair, Senate Budget Subcommittee 3 on Health and Human Services  
1020 N Street, Room 502

Re: Request for Uninterrupted Implementation of Disability Service Provider Rate Increase

Dear Chairs Jackson and Menjivar,

I respectfully request that implementation of the disability service provider rate increase continue, that was slated to begin on July 1, 2024, and not be delayed.

As you know, disability service providers assist and provide supports for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Chronic underfunding for decades has led to workforce shortages that are unsustainable and put individuals with disabilities and their families at risk.

Sustained funding for the disability community and the providers that serve them is crucial for the developmental disability services system to function. Delaying the rate increase will not only exacerbate workforce shortages already stressing the system, but the system also could miss out on receiving potentially $400 million in matching federal funds to support service providers.

Please join me in safeguarding California’s developmental disabilities services system by supporting the service providers that individuals with disabilities and families across the state rely on.

Respectfully,

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