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To whom it concerns -

I am the parent of a child who required mental health services throughout his childhood and up into the present. Currently I work in a pediatric office for developmental and behavioral health evaluation and treatment. As a parent, there were services I could not afford to access for my son due to the fact that my insurance only covered a fraction of the charges that my medical health insurance would pay. Another problem arose when some of the most highly qualified providers were not covered at all due to narrow definitions of "covered providers." I could write a book about the hardship that was caused by these limitations, and the services that were forgone. Now, everyday I encounter clients at the mental health office where I work that cannot use our services due to their insurance constraints. It is very disheartening and needs to change. I urge you to support bill SB80 in the strongest terms.

Thank you,
Joan Davis