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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Human Services

Measure: SB646

To Whom it may concern:

As a seasoned nursing professional I have witnessed the impact of paid parent providers for multiple children and their families both personally and professionally. They are able to participate in community inclusion such as sports, volunteering activities, and attend medical appointments and conferences without having to rely or depend on a stranger to fill the support gaps. This improves the quality of life for the entire family. Please support and ensure these families with extensive challenges and barriers will continue to have the resources, support and safe supervision of their medically and/or emotionally high needs children via the permanent extension of SB646.

Thank you.