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February 20, 2025

To Whom it May Concern:

Re: Letter of Support Request

Greetings,

The Nevada Commission for Persons who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing (NVCDHH) have had the privilege of partnering with Nevada Early Hearing Detection and Intervention in providing and supporting the ongoing education and resource advocacy of service provisions and policy change for those who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and/or speech impaired in the state of Nevada.

It is with great enthusiasm that the NVCDHH provides a letter of support and collaboration for the Early Hearing Detection and Intervention programs CDC grant application to accomplish the scope of this grant and build upon past successes.

Our partnership with Nevada EHDI has strengthened our ability to provide ongoing knowledge, resources, and direct advocacy of services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing constituents here in Nevada.

NVCDHH looks forward to providing the following support to Nevada EHDI:

- Advisory Committee participation
- Data submission and sharing
- Collaboration

In our ongoing advocacy relationship with Nevada EHDI, it is our intent and priority to continue all initiatives that ultimately benefit our Deaf and Hard of Hearing community and our families. These include advocating for a robust and effective EHDI program in Nevada and maintaining our collaborations with the same family-based organizations that partner with Nevada EHDI. We believe that EHDI can and will accomplish the goals of this grant and we support Nevada EHDI's efforts therein.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eric Wilcox".

Eric Wilcox

Chairperson of the Nevada Commission for Persons who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing