June 21, 2018

The Honorable Dr. Richard Pan
State Capitol, Room 5114
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: SB 899 (Pan): An act to amend Section 4663 of the Labor Code, relating to workers’ compensation.

Dear Senator Dr. Pan:

On behalf of the above organizations, we are writing to SUPPORT your measure SB 899, as amended June 19, 2018, which would clarify existing law which prohibits discrimination in providing workers’ compensation benefits.

SB 899 would amend California Labor Code section 4663(a) and specifically state consideration of race, gender, and national origin are excluded from determination of apportionment regarding causation of Permanent Disability.

We support SB 899 as it provides further clarity for the determination of Permanent Disability relating to industrial injury or illness. This measure assures employers pay only for Permanent Disability relating to the work environment, while providing injured workers with appropriate benefits requiring reduced litigation.

For these reasons and more, our organizations look forward to working with you and your staff in SUPPORT of SB 899. To reach Faith Lane Borges, please call 916 441-5050.

Sincerely,

Faith Lane Borges
On behalf of the California Association of Joint Powers Authorities

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