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CHRISTINE KEHOE
THIRTY-NINTH SENATE DISTRICT



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Mr. Matthew R. Hess

San Diego, CA

Dear Matthew:

Thank you for your letter requesting legislation to protect boys from circumcision.

Having reviewed your material, I understand how important this is to you. Often when legislation that is highly controversial is considered, it is a long process that involves getting endorsements. In order for this to be introduced as legislation, you will need to obtain the support of numerous health and human rights organizations that are widely recognized and respected. This will indicate that there is widespread support and give legislators the confidence they need to see that they are fulfilling the needs of their constituents. You may also want to contact the chair of the Senate's Health Committee, Senator Deborah Ortiz, at (916)445-5965 and discuss your proposal with her staff.

I appreciate your asking for my assistance and wish you the best of luck with this.

Sincerely,


CHRISTINE KEHOE
Senator, 39th District

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