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The Honorable Pilar Schiavo  
California State Assembly  
1021 O Street, Suite 4140  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 608 (Schiavo) Medi-Cal: comprehensive perinatal services - SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblymember Schiavo,

The Health Officers Association of California (HOAC), which represents the physician health officers of California's city and county jurisdictions, supports your AB 608 which would extend the length of time postpartum services are available under the Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP) benefit in Medi-Cal.

CPSP helps to improve maternal and infant health outcomes and reduce health disparities by offering comprehensive care to pregnant parents, promoting early prenatal care, access to education, and other supportive services to those eligible for Medi-Cal. AB 85 would strengthen CPSP by allowing parents to receive consistent, continuous access to the same providers and programs that address postpartum depression and food and housing insecurity.

HOAC is dedicated to promoting practices that improve the health of all Californians. For these reasons, HOAC supports AB 608 and thanks you for introducing this important measure.

Sincerely,  
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