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The Honorable Doris O. Matsui
United States House of Representatives
2311 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC, 20515

Dear Representative Matsui,

On behalf of the CA Coalition for Behavioral Health (CCBH), I am writing to ask you to support the passage of the Local 9-8-8 Response Act of 2023 (H.R. 4974/S.3444).

This Act helps eliminate delays by connecting 988 callers with the nearest call center, so they can receive the care they need from mental health professionals as quickly and safely as possible, while still protecting user privacy.

Supporting this piece of legislation provides for a key component within local crisis care continuums, ensuring that your constituents will receive critical assistance immediately through the 9-8-8 crisis line. We therefore ask for your support for H.R. 4974.

Sincerely,

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