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Youable Emotional Health, Support MH Rates SC0952-2

Dear Chair Wiklund and Health and Human Services Committee Members,

I am writing on behalf of Youable Emotional Health to express our heartfelt support for the proposed legislation outlined in Senate Committee File SC0952-2. We recognize the immense importance of prioritizing our communities' emotional well-being and mental health services. This legislation is a significant step in the right direction toward improving access to quality care for individuals facing emotional and mental health challenges.

Youable Emotional Health is committed to providing comprehensive support and resources to individuals and families needing emotional and mental health services. We have witnessed firsthand the positive impact that accessible and affordable care has on the lives of those struggling with emotional health concerns. This legislation aligns closely with our mission and values by emphasizing the importance of equitable service provision for all individuals, regardless of their background or socio-economic status.

We appreciate the allocation of funding outlined in the legislation. Adequate financial resources are crucial in supporting the expansion and enhancement of existing services and the development of innovative programs to meet the evolving needs of our communities. We applaud the commitment to appropriating necessary funds to ensure the successful implementation of these proposed initiatives.

In conclusion, the legislation outlined in Senate Committee File SC0952-2 will improve access to comprehensive emotional health and mental health services. By addressing reimbursement rates, increasing rates for residential services, and establishing a statewide reimbursement rate for behavioral health home services, we can create a more equitable and accessible care system.

We strongly support this legislation and urge you to consider its passage as a means to improve the emotional well-being of our communities. By investing in mental health services, we invest in our society's resilience, productivity, and overall health.

Thank you for your dedication to advancing emotional health and mental health policy. We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to working together in our shared commitment to providing quality care for all individuals.