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Governor Gavin Newsom  
State Capitol Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, California 95814

**Re: Proposed Elimination of Dental Managed Care--OPPOSE**

Dear Governor Newsom:

The Teamsters strongly oppose the elimination of the Dental Managed Care program as proposed in your 2020-21 budget. If enacted, this proposal would disrupt dental benefits for some of our neediest residents and jeopardize the jobs of hundreds of Teamster members who service this program.

Our members work for Liberty Dental which serves the counties of Sacramento and Los Angeles, providing oral health benefits to a diverse population, including many immigrants and refugees. There is no credible evidence that the Teamster workforce fails in serving these communities well. In fact, we would argue that the Dental Managed Care program is a success story in preventative care and access to quality care. The same cannot be said for the fee for service model under the Denti-Cal program.

Bottom line, eliminating this important program will significantly harm our most vulnerable community members and jeopardize quality union jobs. We respectfully urge you to reconsider this proposal and maintain this important program.

Sincerely,

Shane A. Gusman  
Legislative Director

cc: Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon  
Senate Pro Tem Toni Atkins  
Senator Pan – Senate Budget Subcommittee 3 Chair  
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