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Disability Employment Awareness Month

For thirty years, the nation has recognized the month of October as a time to acknowledge the positive role that people with disabilities have in our workforce and their contributions to the well-being of our state.

There are an estimated 4 million people in California with a wide spectrum of disabilities, about 65 percent of whom are unemployed. By supporting the employment of these talented workers, organizations are not only contributing to employees' independence and equality, but also to the financial strength of their company.

Throughout October, state and local agencies, along with public and private organizations have held events to raise awareness about the benefits of providing job opportunities to persons with disabilities. I call on all Californians to join me in recognizing the importance of their role in our shared future.

Sincerely,


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