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The Honorable Mitch Greenlick Oregon House of Representatives 900 Court St. NE H-493 Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Representative Greenlick,

. We are writing to you on behalf of the membership of the Pacific University chapter of the Student Academy of Audiology. SAA is a student-run organization fostering audiology students to better serve, educate, and advocate for the profession of audiology and for consumers of its services.

We would like to express our support for HB 2392, increasing service coverage for deaf and hard of hearing children. First off, we want to thank the House Health Care Committee for scheduling a work session for this bill. As I'm sure you heard in the public hearing on this bill, current insurance requirements leave children without adequate services and devices to help them succeed in school and life. HB 2392 will provide children with timely access to pediatric audiologists and hearing technologies to help ensure they are able to live happy, social, and productive lives.

As the chair of the House Health Care Committee, we are asking you to see that this bill moves swiftly through committee, receiving the care and consideration that such a vital topic deserves.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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