March 12, 2015

Honorable Lois Wolk
State Capitol

Subject: SB 128 - Oppose

Dear Senator Wolk:

The Arc and United Cerebral Palsy California Collaboration, a coalition of people with intellectual and all developmental disabilities and their families, friends and service providers, regretfully opposes SB 128.

Based on long and shameful history and on recent experience, people with developmental disabilities and their families simply do not believe that any regulations and safeguards will actually protect them adequately from being pressured or even forced into ending their lives prematurely. They believe that every step in this direction increases the pressures and the lethal risks to those they love.

Thank you for meeting with us and for understanding why we must oppose the bill.

Sincerely,

Greg deGiere
Public Policy Director