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RE: County of Humboldt Leg Platform

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**Subject:** County of Humboldt Leg Platform

Good morning. Unfortunately, I don't think I'll be able to be at the Board's meeting this afternoon when your legislative platform is discussed, so I wanted to offer this written comment.

First, I don't know of any local decision-making body that deals with the range and complexity of issues that your Board regularly considers. I'm not sure that issue-focused folks like myself always understand and acknowledge that. You juggle many competing priorities during very difficult budgetary and social times. That said, I believe your Board clearly and consistently makes children and families a priority. Your leg platform is a statement of your values as a Board, and by extension, those of your constituents. Even in these challenging times, your platform keeps prevention, young children and their families as a priority, and you and your staff consistently respond supportively on legislative issues when they come up.

These are complex times, but you keep showing up for Humboldt's youngest children where you can. I want you to know that we see that and deeply appreciate it. I wish I could be there this afternoon to say it in person. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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