

This filing is in response to NBP Public Notice #27. The video relay service (video-assisted speech-to-speech) is critical for people with speech, and other disabilities, because the person can see the other person, and operators can translate what they are saying. We have many people in our community who need this valuable service to contact family and friends, make medical appointments, but most of all, be included in the community, and have the same access to telecommunication as anyone else. For me, if I am by myself, I have a remote control that accesses my telephone, and dials the operator who will then dial a number for me. I am a person who cannot use my arms and my legs consistently due to CP. This program has to be funded at a more adequate level, and needs to be expanded to the entire population of people with disabilities in the United States. I thank you for your time, and should you have any questions, I can be reached at Nick Feldman, 2488 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Berkeley, CA 94704. My phone number is 510-666-0003.

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