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Subject Line: Support of House Bills 21 and 141

Dear Representative or Senator \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

As your constituent, I am writing to urge you to support the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Compact (HB 21) and Companion Bill (HB 141). I have been practicing as a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) for \_\_\_\_\_\_years. CRNAs proudly provide safe, high-quality anesthesia services to thousands of Delawareans each year in hospitals, surgery centers, and office-based practices throughout the state. My CRNA colleagues' heroic efforts and those of the other three APRN roles have been a crucial tool to deliver pandemic relief while many regulatory barriers were emergently lifted throughout the country.

These bills will undoubtedly increase patient access to quality care by allowing APRNs to practice to the full extent of their education and training. Additionally, it affords APRNs to practice in any compact state without the burden, time, and expense of obtaining and maintaining multiple licenses.

The APRN Companion Bill accomplishes many things. First, the Companion Bill aligns the current Nursing statute with the APRN Compact language in HB 21. It also removes the collaborative agreement, which is not necessary for licensing purposes. Finally, it eliminates barriers to practice for APRNs in Delaware.

I would appreciate your support in favor of HBs 21 and 141. Contemporary healthcare requires an agile, mobile workforce, whether responding to healthcare provider shortages across the country or assisting during times of disaster. Delaware has the opportunity to be a leader in the Nation by moving APRN practice to the next level and passing HB 21 and HB 141.

Thank you for considering this critical issue to APRNs and Delawareans.

Sincerely,

Your name

Title