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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Chantel Ciranni, DNP, CRNA. I trained in Charlotte, North Carolina and now work at Indiana Regional Medical Center, a rural community hospital in Pennsylvania that is in critical need of consistent providers. Our anesthesia team is almost entirely staffed by locum CRNAs, highlighting the challenges we face under current state regulations.

In North Carolina, CRNAs are recognized as autonomous professionals, trusted to practice to the full extent of our education and training. It was surprising to return home and find that CRNAs here are still not fully recognized — despite our rigorous training and the proven safety and quality of our care.

CRNAs undergo extensive, graduate-level training in physiology, pathophysiology, pharmacology, airway management, and critical care medicine. We are trained to manage the entire perioperative experience — from preoperative evaluation and anesthetic planning to intraoperative care and post-anesthesia recovery — with precision and independence. Our education prepares us to care for even the most complex patients in a variety of settings.

The proposed rulemaking (16A-5145) is long overdue. It formally acknowledges the CRNA role as outlined in Act 60 of 2021 and helps establish clearer licensure, cooperation standards, and a foundation for retaining and recruiting talent in communities like mine.

I strongly support this rulemaking and urge the Board to move forward without delay. CRNAs are ready to meet the growing needs of Pennsylvania's patients — we just need the support to do so.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Chantel Ciranni, DNP, CRNA

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