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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Lauren Del Buono and I am writing in response to the State Board of Nursing's proposed rulemaking, 16A-5145 (CRNA). As a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) since 2012 and a nurse since 2002, I am so happy to finally be recognized in our true scope of practice in PA as intended under Act 60 of 2021. As a CRNA we pride ourselves on our extensive experience and education spanning from years in nursing and then specialized fellowship in nurse anesthesiology. As healthcare providers we utilize evidence-based practice to make informed decisions for our patients. The evidence has shown that nurse anesthesia providers excel in caring for a vast variety of patient populations and procedures safely, effectively, and efficiently. After years working at trauma hospitals in Philadelphia, I have now transitioned to a private gastroenterology practice where I am the sole anesthesia provider working independently within my role to provide outpatient services for gastroenterology procedures for suburban community patients. I also trained in Philadelphia, and in this area, we have 15 programs attracting many students from all over the country. As a clinician, we train the students from these programs, and not being recognized in PA up until now has been a huge drawback to retention in our state. In today's evolving health care landscape, patients seek personalized, cost-effective care delivered with confidence and compassion. CRNAs meet these expectations by remaining with their patients throughout the entire procedure, providing comprehensive care that addresses not only physical needs, but also emotional and mental well-being. For all these reasons, I urge support for the proposed rulemaking. I appreciate all the work that has gone into finally giving CRNAs the recognition they deserve. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. With thanks and sincerity,  
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