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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Nina Marino, and I am a recent graduate of the Nurse Anesthetist Program at York College of Pennsylvania. I currently practice as a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) at UPMC Pinnacle Harrisburg Hospital in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

I am writing in support of proposed rulemaking 16A-5145 (CRNA) under Act 60 of 2021. I have been a registered nurse (RN) since 2012, and over the past three years, I have undergone intensive training in a doctoral-level nurse anesthesia program. This rigorous didactic and clinical education has fully prepared me to deliver safe, competent anesthesia care to patients across the South Central region of Pennsylvania.

Throughout my training and in my current practice, I have had the privilege of working alongside exceptionally skilled and knowledgeable CRNAs who consistently provide high-quality, patient-centered care.

The proposed rulemaking is critically important to our profession. It would allow CRNAs to practice to the full extent of our education and training, ultimately improving access to care, enhancing patient safety, supporting culturally competent care, and helping to reduce overall healthcare costs.

I urge you to consider the depth of our education, the intensity of our clinical preparation, and the proven ability of CRNAs to provide high-quality anesthesia care as you deliberate on this important issue.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
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